

*New Ways of Being, New Ways of Ministering*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Associate Community \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact \_\_\_\_\_

Special accommodations needed ( please be specific):  
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Roommate name \_\_\_\_\_

**Cost**

**Overnight— food/conference fees (Kearns Spirituality Center semi-private room)**

\$130 OPAL member

\$140 Non-member

**Commuter— food/conference fees**

\$80 OPAL member

\$90 Non-member

**Local hotel accommodation: Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott**

901 Providence Blvd. Pittsburgh PA 15237 Contact 412-227-9600

If staying at hotel, commuter fees apply.

**Registrations due no later than August, 15 2019**

Detach this page, make check payable to **OPAL**  
and send completed registration to:

**OPAL  
VMESC  
P.O. Box 706  
Villa Maria, PA 16155**

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**A Gathering of Associate Communities**

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Featuring Nationally Renowned  
Sr. Jayne Helmlinger, President Elect LCWR

**September 7-8, 2019  
Kearns Spirituality Center  
9000 Babcock Blvd  
Pittsburgh, PA 15237**

Presenter:

**Sr. Jayne Helmlinger**

President-elect of the Leadership Conference of Women Religious (LCWR) and general superior of the Sisters of St. Joseph, Orange CA.



At this OPAL conference, associates/religious participating in the associate movement will have the opportunity to learn insights from LCWR study and discernment, receive updates from the LCWR August 2019 conference, and engage in imaginative thinking and collaboration with Ohio and Pennsylvania associates and congregations.

Schedule	
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Sunday</i>
9:00 a.m. Check-in, coffee/tea/snacks	8:00 Breakfast
9:30 <i>Welcome/New Ways of Being/Ministering</i>	9:00 <i>Creating OPAL Action Plan</i>
12:00 Lunch	12:00 Lunch
1:15 Facilitated group conversations	1:15 Concluding thoughts/Prayers/launch OPAL action plan
4:00 Liturgy	
5:15 Supper	
7:00 Collaborative thinking-OPAL/LCWR	
8:30 Social	

For conference questions or additional information please contact:

**Erin Middleton, [Emiddleton@cdpsisters.org](mailto:Emiddleton@cdpsisters.org)**

*“There is so much that unites us as women/men of faith, women/men who continue to walk into an emergent future that is just beyond our imaginings.”*

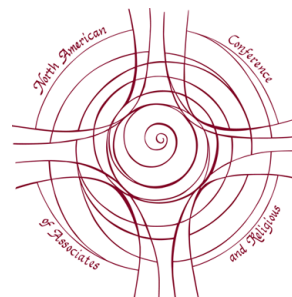
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**OPAL Mission Statement**

Ohio Pennsylvania Associate Leadership (OPAL) is committed to the support and enrichment of current and emerging leaders Associate leaders in Northeast Ohio and Western Pennsylvania.

**Vision Statement**

Through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, women and men gather to share prayer, ideas, resources and challenges as we move into new ways of being —new ways of ministering.



OPAL is regional group of the North American Conference of Associates and Religious (NACAR).

We invite associate directors from Northeast Ohio and Western Pennsylvania to join us.

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