

Be Thou My Vision

Let us fix our eyes on Jesus!

(Hebrews 12:2)



38th BIENNIAL CONVENTION

Virtual Convention, June 27, 2020

**LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY
LEAGUE
KANSAS DISTRICT**



Primary Focus

For the LWML 2019-2021 Biennium and For the Kansas District 2020-2022 Biennium

Lutheran Women in Mission Focus On:



MISSION STATEMENT OF THE LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE KANSAS DISTRICT:

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, the Lutheran Women's Missionary League Kansas District will nurture, motivate, and prepare Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod women to serve the Lord with gladness.

MISSION STATEMENT OF THE LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE:

The mission of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League is to assist each woman of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod in affirming her relationship with the Triune God so that she is enabled to use her gifts in ministry to the people of the world.

VISION STATEMENT OF THE LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE:

The LWML, the leading group for LCMS women, is the place where each woman is welcomed and encouraged to use her unique God-given gifts as she supports global missions and serves the Lord with gladness.



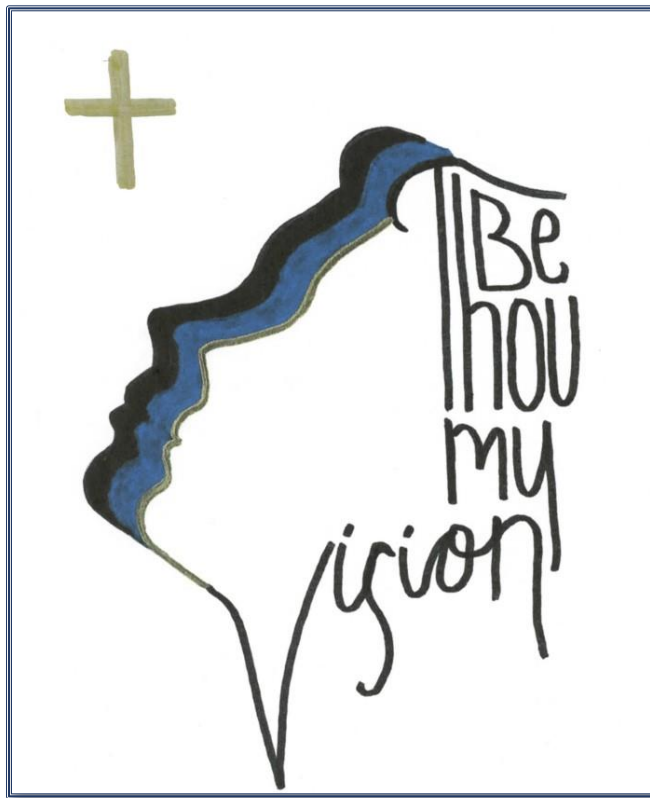
THEME VERSE:

*...looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith,
who for the sake of the joy that was set before him
endured the cross, disregarding its shame,
and has taken his seat at the right hand
of the throne of God (Hebrews 12:2 NRSV).*

CONVENTION GOAL STATEMENT:

As we focus on Jesus with 2020 vision, we will

- **see the Author of our faith more clearly,**
- **open our eyes to the joy of enduring crosses daily, and**
- **share with others the vision of the glory of God.**



LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE KANSAS DISTRICT

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LWML Kansas District 38th Biennial Convention

“Virtual” Convention

June 27, 2020

Agenda

OFFICIAL OPENING OF CONVENTION – Convention Session 1

Pre-Convention Music and Singing

VP of Organizational Resources Elaine Engelman
VP of Communication Shelly Keller

Call to Order and Welcome

President Brenda Piester

Lighting of the Convention Candle

Review Convention Goals

League Pledge

*In fervent gratitude for the Savior's dying love and His blood-bought gift of redemption
we dedicate ourselves to Him with all that we are and have;
and in obedience to His call for workers in the harvest fields,
we pledge Him our willing service wherever and whenever He has need of us.
We consecrate to our Savior, our hands to work for Him, our feet to go on His errands,
our voice to sing His praises, our lips to proclaim His redeeming love,
our silver and our gold to extend His Kingdom, our will to do His will,
and every power of our life to the great task of bringing the lost and the erring
into eternal fellowship with Him. Amen.*

Overview of Convention Items on the Website

Meeting Manager Gloria Raab

Convention Prayer

<https://www.kansaslwml.org/2020-district-convention.html>

Convention Song: “Be Thou My Vision”

VP of Communication Shelly Keller
VP of Organizational Resources Elaine Engelman
Senior Pastoral Counselor Rev. Robert Grimm

Convention Banners and Past Presidents

Zone Banners:

Herington:	Donna Ascher	Hutchinson:	Elise Lorenz-Cleary
Kansas City CrossRoads:	Chyleen Pauesick	Lincoln:	Beverly Wiese
Linn:	Arlyce Klipp	Manhattan:	Carolyn Stutzman
Northeast:	Cindy Manche	Northwest:	Betty Kruse
Southeast:	Kathy McGowen	Southwest:	Bernie Reetz
Topeka:	LaJean Rinker	Wichita:	Mary Dohl

Past District Presidents

Irene Duitsman	1980-1984	Velma Bass	1996-2000
Judy Carlson	2004-2008	Betty Kruse	2008-2012
Karen Morrison	2012-2016		



WORSHIP – Convention Session 2

Offering 1: 2020-2022 LWML Kansas District Mission Goal

Opening Worship

Senior Pastoral Counselor Rev. Robert Grimm
Junior Pastoral Counselor Rev. Dr. Rocco Mallardi

Greetings from the LCMS Kansas District President Rev. Justin Panzer

BUSINESS MEETING – Convention Session 3

Message from LWML

LWML President Debbie Larson

Ingathering Thank You

Brenda Piester for VP of Caring Service Laura Hunter

**Prayer Walk / Mission Walk
Convention Prayer**

VP of Christian Life Allison Lehmann
Offering: Passageways of Wichita, Kansas

LCMS Thank You to LWML

Greetings from National LWML Representative

LWML VP of Organizational Resources Marie Chow

**God's Gracious Gift Fund Grant Recipients
God's Gracious Gift Fund Video**

VP of Gospel Outreach Janice Cundiff

2020-2022 Mission Goal

Treasurer Carolyn Fishburn

**Mission Grant Recipients
Convention Prayer
Mission Grants Video**

VP of Gospel Outreach Janice Cundiff

Kansas Mission Grants Around the World Video

Greetings from LWML

LWML VP of Gospel Outreach Eden Keefe

**Young Woman Representatives to Mobile, AL
Convention Prayer**

VP of Special Focus Ministries Jill Lowe
YWRs: Brenae Ard, Shelisa Fick,
Kristen Brunkow O'Shea, Sarah Winkler

**Announcement of Bylaws Results and
Announcement of 2021-2022 Day of Prayer**

Recording Secretary Kathryn Richard

Music and Singing

VP of Organizational Resources Elaine Engelman
VP of Communication Shelly Keller
Senior Pastoral Counselor Rev. Robert Grimm

Convention Prayer

VP of Organizational Resources Elaine Engelman



BIBLE STUDY – Convention Session 4

Offering 2: Orphan Grain Train for Russian Orphanages

“Be Thou My Vision”

Rev. Jay Hobson

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church, Skiatook, OK

BUSINESS MEETING AND CLOSE OF CONVENTION – Convention Session 5

Greetings from LWML

LWML VP of Christian Life Susan Brunkow

LWML Gift Planning Counselor

Carol von Soosten

LWML Kansas District Endowment

President Brenda Piester

Eden Keefe, Committee Chairman

Kim Burdett, Committee Co-Chairman

Heart to Heart Sisters

H2H District Leader Sherri Rose

**Invitation to Overland Park for 2022 Convention
Announcement of 2022 Convention Theme**

Kansas City CrossRoads Zone and Southeast Zone

Outgoing Officers Skit

VP of Organizational Resources Elaine Engelman

2018-2020 LWML Kansas District Executive Committee:

Elaine Engelman

VP of Organizational Resources/Parliamentarian

Laura Hunter

VP of Caring Service

Shelly Keller

VP of Communication

Janice Cundiff

VP of Gospel Outreach

Jill Lowe

VP of Special Focus Ministries

Allison Lehmann

VP of Christian Life

Kathryn Richard

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Gloria Raab

Meeting Manager

Rev. Dr. Rocco Mallardi

Jr. Pastoral Counselor

Rev. Robert Grimm

Sr. Pastoral Counselor

Brenda Piester

President

**Wrap up Business, President’s Closing Remarks
Officer Election Results, President Transition**

President Brenda Piester

Installation of New Officers

Junior Pastoral Counselor Rev. Dr. Rocco Mallardi

New President Remarks

President _____

Convention Prayer and Music

VP of Communication Shelly Keller

VP of Organizational Resources Elaine Engelman

Senior Pastoral Counselor Rev. Robert Grimm

Benediction

Junior Pastoral Counselor Rev. Dr. Rocco Mallardi

Convention Adjournment

President _____



April 2020



Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

It is my honor to bring you greetings from the Board of Directors of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML). This year, all 40 LWML districts will meet in convention, each with different agenda and a variety of activities, and yet we gather for one purpose: to glorify one God.

Our Lord continues to bless the LWML. We humbly thank Him for the thousands of mission grants funded in the past 78 years, both on the district and national levels, and the countless lives brought to Christ by the working of the Holy Spirit through your service, prayers, and generous offerings. To God be all glory and praise!

In the next few days, you will meet under the theme "Be Thou My Vision." My prayer for you is that the Holy Spirit will lead and guide you, that you will take advantage of opportunities to share His Good News with a new friend, and that you will learn something new about one of the mission grant recipients. I pray that you will always find joy in worshiping and serving our Lord. May love and laughter fill each of your hearts as you learn from His Word, complete the business for your district, renew friendships, and build new relationships.

LWML women come from all generations and from all cultures yet gather together praising one God. Our passion is to encourage all women to be rooted in God's Word and to live out our response to God's grace through mission education, mission service, mission inspiration, and mission giving. As a Lutheran woman in mission, this is your mission!

Please pray for the mission grants selected at this convention and for the 21 national mission grants your delegates chose at the 38th Biennial LWML Convention in Mobile, Alabama, in 2019. We hold fast to the commitment of our mite offerings to meet our mission goal, remembering that we have pledged to our Lord "our silver and our gold to extend His Kingdom." What a blessing to know that our Heavenly Father gives us the privilege to extend His Kingdom!

Your Kansas District, under the direction of President Brenda Piester, has supported the plans and programs of the LWML. I thank God for each of you as you individually serve Him wherever you are and with the gifts He has graciously given you for this time in the life of the LWML.

Serving Christ, surrounded by HIS grace,



LWML President 2019-2023



There are many distinctive themes, speakers, and events throughout our 40 LWML district conventions this year. Each district and individual is unique, but we are unified by our mission to spread the saving Gospel message of Jesus Christ.



I wish I could attend every district convention!



You can confidently and boldly share LWML with others because this is an organization with Christ at the center of all we do. As Lutheran women, we are:

HELD by God's Word
INSPIRED to share HIS Gospel
SURROUNDED by HIS grace

Next summer, we will meet together in Lexington, Kentucky, where we will joyfully be "Running the Race ... Looking to Jesus" at the 39th Biennial LWML Convention. God brings us together, so as we go our separate ways, we will remain strong as the body of Christ.

This is a time to celebrate the LWML for all the blessings God has brought to each of our districts. Women continue to grow in the Word, serve their Lord, and give to missions so His message of love and mercy may spread. To God be the glory!

In HIS service, surrounded by HIS grace,

2019-2021 Biennium

MISSION GRANTS

Mission Goal \$2,100,000

	Disbursed	Balance
1. Water and the Word for Rural Schools in Kenya.....	\$0	\$80,000
2. Teach Me Too - Preschoolers with Learning Needs in Austin, TX (LSEM).....	\$100,000	PAID
3. Mission Outreach for At-Risk Young Women in Africa (LHM).....	\$0	\$100,000
4. God's Grace for This Generation (LAMP).....	\$100,000	PAID
5. God's Word Changes Everything (LBT).....	\$95,000	PAID
6. Mobile Medical Mercy Mission Bus in Guatemala.....	\$55,000	\$45,000
7. Restoring Hope for Detroit Children and Families - Camp Restore Detroit.....	\$0	\$100,000
8. Lights for Christ Scholarships in Guatemala.....	\$0	\$95,000
9. Wind River Indian Reservation Transportation in Wyoming (WRLM).....	\$0	\$40,000
10. Ministry in Motion at Trinity Lutheran Church in Mobile, AL.....	\$0	\$58,000
11. Touching the Living Word (LBW).....	\$100,000	PAID
12. Women's Witness and Mercy in Asia (Mission Central).....	\$0	\$100,000
13. Digital Media Development (LFL).....	\$0	\$30,000
14. Hope and Healing Hub of Downtown Lincoln, NE.....	\$50,000	PAID
15. Pre- and Post-Seminary Training for Local Church Workers in Africa.....	\$0	\$62,650
16. Preparing Leaders for Tomorrow (LCMS School Ministries).....	\$0	\$80,000
17. Christ for You, Anytime, Anywhere (KFUO Radio).....	\$0	\$60,000
18. Sri Lanka Multipurpose Building Construction (LCMS OIM).....	\$0	\$50,000
19. Making Jesus Known in the US Ethnic Communities at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, MO.....	\$0	\$100,000
20. Music Outreach, Classes, and Resources on the Border in El Paso, TX.....	\$98,400	PAID
21. LCMS Deaconess Ministry (LCMS OIM).....	\$0	\$39,523

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For current information visit www.lwml.org/mission-grants.



39th Biennial Convention



Thursday, June 24 – Sunday, June 27, 2021
Rupp Arena – Lexington, Kentucky

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God (Hebrews 12:1-2).

Convention Goal

Looking to Jesus,
we run the race set before us
and proclaim the joy of the Lord.

Stay Connected



*LWML Podcasts keep you inspired
as you walk and work. Listen today!*



*Find current information on our
website for mission grants,
convention news, and products.*



*Download free Bible studies,
devotions, and servant event ideas.
Don't forget the LWML app!*

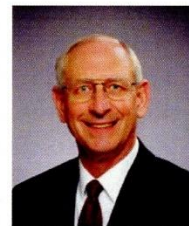
LWML Sunday 2020

Kingdom People Produce Kingdom Fruit

the kingdom of God will be ... given to a people producing its fruits (Matthew 21:43).

The tradition of LWML Sunday continues. Watch for LWML Sunday materials available on our website in the coming months.

Author Rev. Larry Krueger is a native Texan and a graduate of The University of Texas in Austin. He received his Master of Divinity degree in 1986 from Concordia Seminary in St. Louis.



Rev. Krueger and his wife Sally were married in August of 1984. He has served in a variety of pastoral roles in Oklahoma, Illinois, Missouri, and Texas. His ministry experiences have included conventional sole and associate pastor roles, campus missionary, conference speaker, and Assistant to the President of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. He is currently serving as senior pastor at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Waco, Texas.

Important Deadlines

August 15, 2020

Nominations for LWML officers and nominating committee.

Send to: nominations@lwml.org

September 30, 2020

LWML Mission Grant proposals.

Send to: depgo@lwml.org

March 1, 2021

Names of certified 2021 LWML convention delegates and alternates.

Send to: secretary@lwml.org

March 31, 2021

Financial books close for the 2019-2021 biennium. **Mite donations must be received in the LWML Office by March 31, 2021.**



June 2020

Dear Members and Friends of the LWML Kansas District,

We thank God for the many blessings He has bestowed on the Kansas women who have faithfully served Him with gladness since the beginning of the LWML in Kansas in 1943!



As dozens of people have worked together to plan this convention—and plan it AGAIN—and yet, plan it AGAIN, it has been challenging, enlightening, and sometimes, even frustrating to consider the various possibilities—and ramifications—of the multitude of choices before your Executive Committee. In all that uncertainty, though, there was never any doubt that we would provide a convention for the Kansas LWML, even if we had no idea how we would present it. And, wow, have we learned a lot! We have many people to thank for their technology expertise, their willingness to email, meet by Zoom, vote through the mail, and text—or even make a phone call—to do our best to provide a convention for you. We thank you, dear Sisters-in-Christ, for your patience, support, encouragement, wisdom, and flexibility as you understood and accepted the changes for this convention. I KNOW that many, many of you were our “prayer warriors,” and for that, I am forever grateful. This is another example of the countless reasons for preserving and promoting a Christ-centered, mission-focused, service-minded, organization for Lutheran women—we need and rely on each other as we **“Fix Our Eyes on Jesus!”**

From the time Kansas women started meeting together in the 1920s, to being formally organized as the Kansas LWML in 1943, women have faithfully filled their Mite Boxes for Mission Grants in Kansas and around the world and to support students studying for church work. **Thank you** for continuing these generous mite offerings! **Thank you** for your efforts to advance and uphold the organization through sharing the LWML vision and mission with other women in your congregation. **Thank you** for inviting them to serve alongside you. **Thank you** for your faithful work, your servant leadership, and your commitment to make LWML known to future generations for the next 77 years and beyond! May the 2020 Convention tagline—**Let Us Fix Our Eyes on Jesus!**—keep us focused on our purpose.

It has been my joy—and privilege—to serve with you these past four years. I thank you for your confidence in me and for your constant support and encouragement. However, we cannot rest on our past. We are called to “Serve the Lord with Gladness” wherever, whenever, and however we can, and often at a moment’s notice—as has always been the case. A fantastic team has been elected as your new Executive Committee. New women are becoming involved on district committees. Women are seeking Christ-centered organizations and relationships. The future of the LWML—Lutheran Women in Mission—is bright in Kansas as you continue to **“Fix Your Eyes on Jesus!”**

Serving the Lord with Gladness,
In His Grace,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Brenda Piestor".

LWML Kansas District President 2016-2020

Favorite Bible Verse 2020:

We rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us (Romans 5:3-5).



CONVENTION OFFERINGS

Offering 1—Worship Service

2020-2022 LWML Kansas District
Mission Goal

Offering 2—Bible Study

Orphan Grain Train—
Russian Orphanages



Orphan Grain Train's "Adopt an Orphanage"

program currently has 90 orphanages under full sponsorship in Russia, Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania. Hundreds more are awaiting help. Many of these orphanages are in remote rural areas where poverty is the norm and adult unemployment is as high as 80%. Combined with chronic alcoholism, these conditions have a tremendous impact on families.

Conditions in the orphanages are often extremely harsh. The temperature was -20° F. when this photo of a Severskya, Russia orphanage was taken. Many children have only one or two sets of clothing. Medicine and other necessities are often in short supply or unavailable.



With the "Adopt an Orphanage" program, Orphan Grain Train (OGT) provides support for each sponsored orphanage at a cost of \$280 a month. Funds are wired to Orphan Grain Train partners on location who purchase and deliver medicine, medical supplies, hygienic supplies, vitamins, and clothing directly to the orphanages. No funds are given directly to the institutions, only supplies. This ensures that the help actually reaches those who need it.



Prayer Walk / Mission Walk Pledges to Passageways, Wichita, Kansas

MISSION:

To assist every Veteran that walks through our doors to achieve their individual goals and provide essential tools and resources for housing stability, independence, and self-sustainability. Passageways was formed in the hearts of Jennifer and Susan, two members of Ascension Lutheran—Wichita, in 2014. They had a vision to impact the population of homeless veterans living on the streets in the greater Wichita area. Passageways is a faith-based organization providing solution-based ministry services to the homeless and veteran population. Services to the Heroes are at no cost to them.



- **Mail to:**
LWML Kansas District 2020 Convention
2232 E. Elk Drive, Lincoln, KS 67455
 - Make Offering and Prayer Walk/
Mission Walk checks payable to the
LWML Kansas District.
 - Please note which offering on the
"For" line of the check.
- **Online giving:**
<https://www.kansaslwml.org/giving.html>
- **App: GivePlus – Vanco Payment Solutions**
 - Search for LWML Kansas District

CONVENTION “VIRTUAL” INGATHERING

YOUR LOCAL FOOD BANK

Since we will be unable to collect food items for the Topeka Rescue Mission, we encourage you to take food items to YOUR LOCAL FOOD BANK!

Please feel free to do this ANY TIME between now and the convention. Email me at caringservice@kansaslwml.org with how many items or pounds you took.

You may also post pictures on the LWML Kansas District Facebook page. <https://www.facebook.com/KS.LWML/> Let's set a goal of 5,000#!



Hospice Kits for Global Health Ministries



Since we were unable to assemble hospice kits at convention, we encourage you to assemble these locally and mail them!

Global Health Ministries is an organization networking people from all over the globe who feel called by God to continue the healing work of Jesus Christ. They believe God is calling us to ensure that Lutheran healing ministries are sustained in countries deeply challenged by poverty. Global Health Ministries hospice kits provide comfort and needed supplies for someone who is suffering from HIV/AIDS, cancer, or other devastating illness. Kits are distributed by palliative care providers through Lutheran hospice programs that reach into villages in Tanzania, Zimbabwe, Liberia, and Cameroon.

- regular-size bath towels (not longer than 52")
- toothbrushes (in original, individual packaging)
- nail clippers
- bath-size bars of soap (wrapped, unscented, such as Dove Unscented for Sensitive Skin)
- jars or tubes of petroleum jelly (approximately 4 ounces or larger, lid taped)
- pairs of heavy-duty household gloves (kitchen type, size medium)
- Instructions for the kits may be found at: <https://www.ghm.org/hands-on-projects>
- Mail your finished kits to:
GLOBAL HEALTH MINISTRIES 7831 HICKORY STREET NE MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55432
- Email me at caringservice@kansaslwml.org with how many kits you mailed. You may also post pictures on the LWML Kansas District Facebook page.



Trimmed stamps for the Texas District Stamporee project – Continue to save these and take them to Zone events this fall!

***“Thank you!” for your work to make the “Virtual” ingathering a blessing to these organizations!
– Laura Hunter, Vice President of Caring Service***



Lutheran Women's Missionary League Kansas District

SONGS

Let us fix
our *eyes* on
Jesus
the **author** and **perfecter** of our faith,
who for the **joy** set before Him **endured the cross,**
SCORNING ITS SHAME
and sat down
at the *right*
hand of the
throne of
G O D.
Hebrews 12:2



Pre-convention Music

1. LUTHERAN WOMEN, ONE AND ALL (LSB #892)

Lutheran women, one and all,
We have heard the Gospel call.
We by faith have seen our Lord
Crucified and then restored.
We have seen Him pay the price,
For our sins a sacrifice.
Him we Lord and Christ acclaim
And unite to praise His name.

Lutheran women, young and old,
Well we know His challenge bold;
Help to take the Gospel light
To a world in darkest night,
By example in the home,
By inviting those who roam,
By our prayers for sinners lost,
By our gift for missions' cost.

Lutheran women, coast to coast,
In the Lord a mighty host,
Let us all united be
In the Holy Trinity,
One in faith, in hope, and love,
Working for the Lord above,
Till, our earthly labors done,
We in heaven shall all be one.

Elmer A. Kettner

2. MY FAITH LOOKS UP TO THEE (LSB #702)

My faith looks up to Thee,
Thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine.
Now hear me while I pray;
Take all my guilt away;
O let me from this day Be wholly Thine!

May Thy rich grace impart
Strength to my fainting heart;
My zeal inspire!
As Thou hast died for me,
Oh, may my love to Thee
Pure, warm, and changeless be, A living fire!

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3. JOYFUL, JOYFUL WE ADORE THEE (LSB #803)

Joyful, joyful we adore Thee,
God of glory, Lord of love!
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee,
Praising Thee, their sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,
Drive the gloom of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness,
Fill us with the light of day.

All Thy works with joy surround Thee,
Earth and heav'n reflect Thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around Thee,
Center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird, and flowing fountain
Call us to rejoice in Thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving,
Ever blessing, ever blest,
Wellspring of the joy of living,
Ocean-depth of happy rest!
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
Fountainhead of love divine:
Joyful, we Thy heav'n inherit!
Joyful, we by grace are Thine!

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4. A CELEBRATION OF PRAISE HYMNS (Original sheet music)

Oh for a thousand tongues to sing
My great Redeemer's praise;
The glories of my God and King,
The triumph of His grace.

CHORUS:

He lives, He lives, He lives,
I know that my Redeemer lives.
He lives, He lives, He lives within my heart.

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want;
He makes me down to lie,
In pastures green He leadeth me,
The quiet waters by. **CHORUS:**

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost, but now am found,
Was blind, but now I see! **CHORUS:**

5. PRAISE, LOVE, SERVE (Tune: LSB #362)

Our God and Father, made the earth,
And when we went astray,
Our God, the Son, descended here
To take our sins away.

With His own blood He bought us.
He broke the bonds of sin.
Then God the Spirit came into
Our hearts to dwell within.

In gratitude we pledge ourselves,
To Him with all we have.
Our hands will work; our voices sing;
Our lips proclaim His love.
His errands we'll do gladly;
His Gospel we'll defend;
Our silver and our gold we'll use –
His Kingdom to extend.

Wherever He has need of us,
We will His call obey.
Whenever He calls out to us,
We'll answer right away.
His will is ours that lost souls
Will turn away from sin
And come to have eternal life
Through fellowship with Him.

*Based on the LWML Pledge--Jean Hansen Kammerer
Written by Jean Hansen Kammerer, Stevensville, Montana;
Published by Lutheran Women's Missionary League, 2013*

2020 LWML Convention Song

6. BE THOU MY VISION (Original sheet music)

Father, Creator, Lord God Almighty
Merciful Maker, we give Him praise.
Amazing grace, our God lives within us
Beautiful Savior, our voices raise.

CHORUS

Be Thou my vision, Lord of my heart.
Author, Perfecter, How great Thou art!
Look unto Jesus, He bore our shame;
We glorify His Name!

God loved the world so He gave us Jesus.
His only Son, that we may believe.
Glory to God, we trust in Your mercy,
Praying eternal life we receive. **CHORUS**

Giver of grace, the Hope of all living.
Source of our strength, our peace, and our love.
The Fount of Life, to Thee be all glory,
King of Salvation, You reign above. **CHORUS**

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Songs for Worship

7. A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD

(Tune: LSB #656)

A mighty fortress is our God,
A trusty shield and weapon;
He helps us free from ev'ry need
That hath us now o'ertaken.
The old evil foe Now means deadly woe;
Deep guile and great might
Are his dread arms in fight;
On earth is not his equal.

With might of ours can naught be done,
Soon were our loss effected;
But for us fights the valiant One,
Whom God Himself elected.
Ask ye, Who is this? Jesus Christ it is,
Of Sabaoth Lord,
And there's none other God;
He holds the field forever.

Though devils all the world should fill,
All eager to devour us,
We tremble not, we fear no ill;
They shall not overpower us.
This world's prince may still
Scowl fierce as he will,
He can harm us none,
He's judged; the deed is done;
One little word can fell him.

The Word they still shall let remain
Nor any thanks have for it;
He's by our side upon the plain
With His good gifts and Spirit.
And take they our life,
Goods, fame, child, and wife,
Though these all be gone,
Our vict'ry has been won;
The Kingdom ours remaineth.

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(Repeat song #6, BE THOU MY VISION)



8. BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR (LSB #537)

Beautiful Savior, King of Creation,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Truly I'd love Thee, Truly I'd serve Thee,
Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.

Fair are the meadows, Fair are the woodlands,
Robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,
He makes our sorr'wing spirit sing.

Fair is the sunshine, Fair is the moonlight,
Bright the sparkling stars on high;
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer
Than all the angels in the sky.

Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, Praise, adoration
Now and forevermore be Thine!

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Music and Singing

9. JUST AS I AM (LSB #570)

Just as I am, without one plea
But that Thy Blood was shed for me
And that Thou bidd'st me come to Thee,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am poor, wretched, blind;
Sight, riches, healing of the mind,
Yea, all I need, in Thee to find,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, Thou wilt receive,
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
Because Thy Promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

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10. CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS (LSB #525)

Crown Him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon His throne;
Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns
All music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing
Of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless king
Through all eternity.

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Crown Him the Lord of love.
Behold His hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above,
In beauty glorified.
No angels in the sky
Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bend their wond'ring eyes
At mysteries so bright.

Crown Him the Lord of life,
Who triumphed o'er the grave
And rose victorious in the strife
For those he came to save.
His glories now we sing,
Who died and rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring
And lives that death may die.

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11. BEAUTIFUL FEET (Original sheet music)

REFRAIN: Beautiful feet, that guide our way,
Beautiful feet, with us today.
He's the Messenger on high—Our God reigns!

On the mountaintop is He
Announcing peace to you and me.
Hear His message, voices raise
All together, sing His praise. **REFRAIN**

Jesus brings Good News to all,
We see His light, we hear His call.
Spread the news of saving grace,
To all the world in every place. **REFRAIN**

He alone, salvation brings
Alleluias! We will sing.
Jesus died, He set us free,
Thank you Lord for victory! **REFRAIN**

Take my heart, my voice, my hands,
To do the work that God commands,
Missions, mites, with love outpoured,
And with our feet, we serve the Lord. **REFRAIN**

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12. GOD BLESS OUR NATIVE LAND (LSB #965)

God bless our native land;
Firm may she ever stand
Through storm and night.
When the wild tempests rave,
Ruler of wind and wave,
Do Thou our country save By Thy great might
So shall our prayers arise
To God above the skies;
On Him we wait.
Thou who art ever nigh,
Guarding with watchful eye,
To Thee aloud we cry: God save the state!

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13. BE THOU MY VISION (Tune: LSB #861)

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.
Be Thou my wisdom be Thou my true Word;
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son,
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.
High King of heaven, when vict'ry is won,
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, Whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

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Closing Music

14. WITH JOY WE COME TOGETHER

(Tune: LSB #527)

With joy we come together,
Our hearts of one accord,
Rejoicing in the blessings of serving You, O Lord.
The gifts that You have given
Make us a mighty throng.
With thankfulness we raise up
Our praise to You in song.
We celebrate the women,
Who've served You through the years,
Sustaining one another
Through vict'ry, trials, and fears.

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We follow now their service,
Devoted, Christ, to You.
No matter what Your errand,
We'll strive to follow through.

Lord, with Your love and guidance,
We'll serve You faithfully.
Wherever You should lead us,
We'll follow willingly.
May we be bold in witness
So others see Your grace.
That we may one day worship
Together face to face.

*Jean Hansen Kammerer; Written by Jean Hansen Kammerer,
Stevensville, Montana; Published by Lutheran Women's
Missionary League, 2017*

15. SERVE THE LORD WITH GLADNESS

(Tune: LSB #662)

"Serve the Lord with gladness!" It is He alone
Who redeemed us sinners, Guides us as His own
To enjoy the blessings; Of His love and grace,
Will at last in glory, Meet us face to face.

REFRAIN:

Onward, then, for Jesus! Let this be our aim:
"Serve the Lord with gladness!" Glorify His name!

"Serve the Lord with gladness!"
He gave us command
To proclaim His Gospel; Now in every land
So that fellow sinners; May, like us, be blest.
Leading them to Jesus, we can serve Him best.

REFRAIN

"Serve the Lord with gladness!"
There's no greater joy
Than to serve the Master, Work in His employ.
As we build His kingdom; Angels, too, rejoice
Over every sinner; Brought to hear His voice.

REFRAIN

Prof. Ernest Lewerenz

16. PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW (LSB #805)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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WORSHIP SERVICE

Let us fix
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Jesus

the **author** and **perfecter** of our faith,
who for the **joy** set before Him **endured the cross,**

SCORNING ITS **SHAME**

and sat down
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Hebrews 12:2

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Opening Worship for Lutheran Women's Missionary League Kansas District

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God (LSB # 657)

- 1 A mighty fortress is our God, A sword and shield victorious;
He breaks the cruel oppressor's rod And wins salvation glorious.
The old satanic foe Has sworn to work us woe.
With craft and dreadful might He arms himself to fight.
On earth he has no equal.
- 2 No strength of ours can match his might. We would be lost, rejected.
But now a champion comes to fight, Whom God Himself elected.
You ask who this may be? The Lord of hosts is He,
Christ Jesus, mighty Lord, God's only Son, adored.
He holds the field victorious.
- 3 Though hordes of devils fill the land All threat'ning to devour us,
We tremble not, unmoved we stand; They cannot overpow'r us.
Let this world's tyrant rage; In battle we'll engage.
His might is doomed to fail; God's judgment must prevail!
One little word subdues him.
- 4 God's Word forever shall abide, No thanks to foes, who fear it;
For God Himself fights by our side With weapons of the Spirit.
Were they to take our house, Goods, honor, child, or spouse
Though life be wrenched away, They cannot win the day.
The Kingdom's ours forever!

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RESPONSIVE PRAYER 1 (LSB page 282)

Opening Versicles

L Holy God, holy and most gracious Father,
C **have mercy and hear us.**

Lord's Prayer

C **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**



Apostles' Creed

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He
descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading- **Habakkuk 2:1-4, 18-20**

Habakkuk 2:1-4

I will take my stand at my watchpost and station myself on the tower, and look out to see what he will say to me, and what I will answer concerning my complaint. And the LORD answered me: "Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so he may run who reads it. For still the vision awaits its appointed time; it hastens to the end—it will not lie. If it seems slow, wait for it; it will surely come; it will not delay. "Behold, his soul is puffed up; it is not upright within him, but the righteous shall live by his faith.

Habakkuk 2:18-20

"What profit is an idol when its maker has shaped it, a metal image, a teacher of lies?

For its maker trusts in his own creation when he makes speechless idols! Woe to him who says to a wooden thing, Awake; to a silent stone, Arise! Can this teach? Behold, it is overlaid with gold and silver, and there is no breath at all in it. But the LORD is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him."

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Lesson: Mark 10:46-52

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to: Mark, the tenth chapter.

Cong. Glory to You, O Lord.

Mark 10:46-52

They came to Jericho. And as [Jesus] was leaving Jericho with his disciples and a great crowd, Bartimaeus, a blind beggar, the son of Timaeus, was sitting by the roadside. And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" And many rebuked him, telling him to be silent. But he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" And Jesus stopped and said, "Call him." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart. Get up; he is calling you." And throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. And Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" And the blind man said to him, "Rabbi, let me recover my sight." And Jesus said to him, "Go your way; your faith has made you well." And immediately he recovered his sight and followed him on the way.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Cong: Praise to you, O Christ

FIRST SERMON – Pastor Robert Grimm

"Be Thou My Vision"

Father, Creator, Lord God Almighty,
Merciful Maker, we give Him praise.
Amazing Grace, our God lives within us,
Beautiful Savior, our voices raise.

Chorus:

*Be Thou my vision, Lord of my heart.
Author, Perfecter, How great Thou art!
Look unto Jesus, He bore our shame;
We glorify His Name!*

God Loved the world so He gave us Jesus.
His only Son, that we may believe.
Glory to God, we trust in Your mercy,
Praying eternal life we receive. (**Chorus**)

Giver of grace, the Hope of all living.
Source of our strength, our peace, and our love.
The Fount of Life, to Thee be all glory,
King of Salvation, You reign above. (**Chorus**)

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SECOND SERMON – Pastor Rocco Mallardi

RESPONSIVE PRAYER 1 (LSB page 283)

Morning

L I cry to You, O Lord;
C **in the morning my prayer comes before You.**
L Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,
C **and uphold me with a willing spirit.**
L My mouth is filled with Your praise,
C **and with Your glory all the day.**
L Every day I will bless You
C **and praise Your name forever and ever.**
L By awesome deeds You answer us with righteousness,
C **O God of our salvation, the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.**
L Bless the Lord, O my soul;
C **and all that is within me, bless His holy name!**
L He redeems your life from the pit
C **and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.**
L Hear my prayer, O Lord;
C **let my cry come to You.**

Collect of the Day:

Convention Prayer; written by Pastor Robert Grimm

Luther's Morning Prayer

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Benediction

L Let us bless the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Blessing

L The Lord bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life.
C **Amen.**

Beautiful Savior (LSB # 537)

1 Beautiful Savior, King of creation,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Truly I'd love Thee,
Truly I'd serve Thee,
Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
2 Fair are the meadows,
Fair are the woodlands,
Robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,
He makes our sorrowing spirit sing.

3 Fair is the sunshine, Fair is the moonlight,
Bright the sparkling stars on high;
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer
Than all the angels in the sky.

4 Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, Praise, adoration
Now and forevermore be Thine!

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LWML Kansas District Convention | June 2020

Dear Sisters in Christ,

Alleluia, Christ is Risen! The One whom God has sent to die upon the cross and be bodily raised again from the dead for our forgiveness, life and salvation is the hope that you and I and this entire world desperately need right now.

My name is Justin Panzer, and I am the District President of the LCMS Kansas District. On behalf of the 160 congregations, 14 elementary schools and 44 pre-schools of the Kansas District and on behalf of our District Office staff, I bring you greetings. Thank you for allowing me to share some opening remarks with you.

Your convention theme is very appropriate. Hebrews 12:2, "Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before Him, endured the Cross, scorning its shame and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God."

"Let us fix our eyes on Jesus...." We can't go wrong when we do that, right? After all, He's the Savior. He's the One who has earned our forgiveness, life and salvation.

Now, the surrounding context of the verse says that we're to throw off the sin that so easily hinders. Do you know what sin does? It entangles us. It puts our focus in the wrong direction. Sin is anything contrary to God's holy will for our lives. We're called to repent, to turn from our sin by the power of the Holy Spirit. We return to the life renewing waters of our Baptism where we received the cleansing blood of Jesus for the forgiveness of our sins. The Holy Spirit lives in us and with His help, we turn away from those things that cause us to sin. We put ourselves in places where our eyes can be fixed solely on the Savior.

We are to fix our eyes on Him as we run the race of life. Faith clings to Him. Faith "fixes your eyes" on Him. It wants to devour the spiritual food that He gives to us in Word and Sacrament.

Dear sisters in Christ, as you are fed with the food of Jesus and as your eyes are fixed solely on Him, is it any wonder why and how He is using you in such glorious ways to further the mission of His Kingdom right here in Kansas and throughout the world? I think not!

Out of love for Jesus, you meet for Bible study. You gather your mites. You tie quilts. You support your local congregations and ministries. You have generously supported our West Africa partner churches with your recent gift. For all of this and so much more that you do, I want to say, "Thank you." Thank you for your time. Thank you for your generosity. Thank you for your outpouring of love that is all rooted in Jesus Christ, as you keep your eyes "fixed" upon Him!

God be with you in your time of gathering as you seek His will and wisdom in all that you do.

In the service of Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rev. Justin A. Panzer". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

President Justin Panzer

Lutheran Women's Missionary League Kansas District

BIBLE STUDY

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who for the **joy** set before Him **endured the cross,**
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Hebrews 12:2



2020 LWML Kansas District Convention Bible Study “Be Thou My Vision”

I. Introduction

Let us fix our eyes on _____. *Hebrews 12:2*

Reflection 1: Write down three things you see in the room and write down why each item is special. (Take about 2 minutes.)

II. God gives us blessings!

Every _____ and every perfect gift is _____, coming down from the Father of lights... *James 1:17*

God gives us many _____ blessings!

You open your hand and _____ the desires of every living thing. *Psalms 145:16*

God gives us many _____ blessings!

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with _____ in the heavenly places.” *Ephesians 1:3*

Reflection 2: Write down one physical blessing and one spiritual blessing that God has blessed you with and write down beside it a little thanksgiving to God, telling Him why you so cherish that gift. (Take about 3 minutes.)

III. God gives us blessings, but sin clouds our eyes from seeing them!

Sin causes our _____ to be sinful and fallen.



When I want to do right, evil lies close at hand. ...Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this _____ of _____? *Romans 7:21, 24*

Sin causes this _____ to be sinful and fallen.

Sin causes “_____” so that we do not see God’s blessings clearly.

Reflection 3: Write down a time or two in your life when the sinfulness of this fallen world and the trouble it causes has made it difficult to see the great blessings God has given you. Write down how you felt and why you believe you felt that way as well.

IV. Jesus lets us see clearly!

We need to see _____!

In all these things we are more than conquerors _____ who loved us. *Romans 8:37*

The _____ helps us see Jesus.

These [words] are _____ so that you may _____ that Jesus is the Christ. *John 20:31*

The Holy Scriptures are our _____.

Reflection 4: Write down a passage or two from Scripture that focuses your eyes on Jesus – maybe your confirmation verse – and describe what blessing God gives you in that verse that is always yours through Jesus Christ.

V. Conclusion

Reflection 5: After the convention consider this question – how does a daily devotion help you to see God’s blessings in your life every day?

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PRAYER WALK MISSION WALK

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Prayer Walk – Fix Our Eyes on Jesus

This prayer walk is designed to give you some personal time away from the hustle, bustle and stress of daily life to reflect on teachings from the *Small Catechism* that help us to ‘fix our eyes on Jesus.’

The prayer walk has three actions in seven sections.

- 1) Each section contains an **introductory reading, some scripture, a hymn, and a prayer**. Feel free to read the hymn silently to yourself, to hum the tune as you read, or to sing the hymn aloud.
- 2) Each section will direct you to **READ the text from the catechism**. You will find the corresponding link to *Luther’s Small Catechism* if the prayer walk is completed electronically. A copy is also found and at the of this study and may be printed if you so choose.
- 3) Every section also has a **token** listed that can be used as a visual reminder of what you read and reflect. You are welcome to gather similar objects at home or with a small group. If you do not have the objects, just visualize them! (Objects: small rock or stone; blue, white, and red beads or jellybeans; small cross; shell or small reminder of your baptism; key; band-aid or bandage; cell or home phone)

The Prayer Walk will take approximately 45 minutes. It has been modified for you to complete on your own; you may also complete with a group. You may do all sections together or separately.



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1. The Ten Commandments:

Pick up a rock, hold it to help you visualize the two tablets that Moses physically carried down Mount Sinai after being with the LORD for forty days and nights.

They were inscribed on both sides, front and back. The tablets were the work of God; the writing was the writing of God, engraved on the tablets (Exodus 32:15-16).

Take time now to READ through the Ten Commandments and their meanings.

(<https://catechism.cph.org/en/10-commandments.html>)

God expects that we should follow the laws he set before us. However, Christianity is not a checklist of rules we must follow to be forgiven or to earn salvation. Christ kept the Law perfectly, not simply as a model, but as our Redeemer.

Deuteronomy 26:16 – *The Lord your God commands you this day to follow these decrees and laws; carefully observe them with all your heart and with all your soul.*

Psalm 119:2 – *Blessed are those who keep his statutes and seek him with all their heart.*

We cannot possibly obey all of God's commands perfectly, but we can certainly seek to do so and ask the Holy Spirit for guidance along the way.

Psalm 119: 18, 27 – *Open my eyes that I may see wonderful things in your law... Cause me to understand the way of your precepts, that I may meditate on your wonderful deeds.*

Hymn: "May We They Precepts, Lord, Fulfill" (Lutheran Service Book 698)

*May we Thy precepts, Lord, fulfill and do on earth our Father's will as angels do above;
Still walk in Christ, the living way, with all Thy children and obey the law of Christian love.*

*So may we join Thy name to bless, Thy grace adore, Thy pow'r confess, From sin and strife to flee.
One is our calling, one our name, The end of all our hopes the same, A crown of life with Thee.*

We know that we have come to know him if we keep his commands (1 John 2:3).

However, we are not required to (nor are we able to!) keep the laws perfectly to come before the throne of Christ. Praise the Lord that *He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world (1 John 2:2).*

No matter how many times we fail, *If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness (1 John 1:9).*

Dear Heavenly Father, Thank you for giving us Your law to guide us into the life You have planned for us. Instead of viewing Your commands as a burden, help me to join the Psalmist in declaring: *Oh, how I love Your law! I meditate on it all day long... Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light to my path (Psalm 119: 97, 105).* Amen.

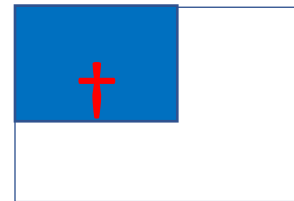


2. The Apostles' Creed: (LSC pg. 16-18)

What do you believe? Believe means to trust (with your heart), to know (with your mind), and to assent (with your lips) that something is true. A creed is a statement of what one believes, teaches, and confesses. The word creed is from the Latin *credo*: “I believe.” We say “*I believe*” because each one of us must believe for ourselves. We cannot be saved by another person’s faith.

Picture the Christian flag; can you see the white field with a red cross inside a blue background?

Blue, red, and white beads, jellybeans, or pieces of paper can be used for Apostles Creed objects.



READ the First Article of the creed, creation. (<https://catechism.cph.org/en/creed.html>)

Let the blue bead be a reminder of our Father’s faithfulness.

Now READ the Second Article, redemption.

Hold the red bead as a symbol of the Savior’s atoning blood.

Lastly, READ the Third Article, sanctification.

The white bead can be a reminder of the sanctifying power of the Holy Spirit.

Romans 10:9-10 – *If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.*

Hymn: “We All Believe in One True God” (LSB 953)

*We all believe in one true God, Father, Son and Holy Ghost,
Ever present help in need, Praised by all the heav’nly host;
All He made His love enfolds, All creation He upholds.*

*We all believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Mary’s son,
Who descended from His throne And for us salvation won.
By whose cross and death are we Rescued from all misery.*

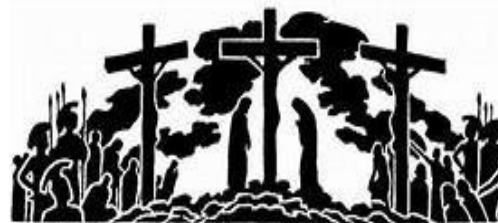
*We all confess the Holy Ghost, who from both in truth proceeds,
Who sustains and comforts us In all trials, fears, and needs.
Blessed Holy Trinity, Praise forever be to Thee!*

Dear Heavenly Father, we thank you for your faithfulness, for You have made all things in heaven and on earth, both visible and invisible. We believe that You sent Your Son, Jesus Christ, to be both true God and true man to redeem us through His atoning blood. To You we confess our sins, have mercy upon us. Send your Holy Spirit to cleanse and change our lives so that we may serve You in our thoughts, words, and actions.
In Your Holy name we pray, Amen.



3. The Lord's Prayer:

Visualize Calvary, about noon. Strange things began to happen. Darkness came over the land for three hours. Then Jesus cried out, "Father, into Your hands I commend my spirit," and He died. There was a great earthquake. It was Friday afternoon, and the Sabbath would start at sundown.



Jesus prayed to the Father often, and left us instructions on how to do so, also.

Matthew 6:9 – *Pray, then, in this way: "Our Father, who is in heaven, Hallowed be Your name."*

Matthew 7:21 – *Not everyone who says to Me, "Lord, Lord," will enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father who is in heaven will enter.*

Mark 11:24 – *Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.*

Luke 11:2 – *And He said to them, "When you pray, say, 'Father, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come.'"*

Ephesians 3:14-15 – *For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name.*

In **Matthew 6:9-13**, we find the text we now refer to as The Lord's Prayer. Take time now to READ through each petition and what Martin Luther taught as the meaning of each part (<https://catechism.cph.org/en/lords-prayer.html>) . What joy we have in knowing that we can turn to Christ in prayer at any time!

Hymn: "What A Friend We Have in Jesus" (LSB 770)

*What a friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry Ev'rything to God in prayer!
Oh, what peace we often forfeit; Oh what needless pain we bear—
All because we do not carry Ev'rything to God in prayer!*

*Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged—Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful Who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness—Take it to the Lord in prayer.*

Look around you for a cross, can you see one hanging on a wall or on a necklace? When you are in need, remember to look to the cross as you pray.

Lord God Heavenly Father, I thank You for your goodness, and Your unfailing love. I repent of my many sins, and pray for Your forgiveness. I pray for Your strength, dear God, as I journey through each day, Lord, be merciful unto me, and cover my path with grace. When trouble comes my way, Lord, may You be closer still. I pray in Jesus name. Amen.



4. The Sacrament of Holy Baptism:

Ephesians 4:4-5 – *There is one body and one Spirit – just as you were called to one hope when you were called – one Lord, one faith, one baptism.*

Hymn: “God’s Own Child, I Gladly Say It” (LSB 594)

*God’s own child, I gladly say it: I am baptized into Christ!
He, because I could not pay it, Gave my full redemption price.
Do I need earth’s treasures many? I have one worth more than any
That brought me salvation free Lasting to eternity!*

*Satan, hear this proclamation: I am baptized into Christ!
Drop your ugly accusation, I am not so soon enticed.
Now that to the font I’ve traveled, All your might has come unraveled,
And, against your tyranny, God, my Lord, unites with me!*

*There is nothing worth comparing To this life-long comfort sure!
Open-eyed my grave is staring: Even there I’ll sleep secure.
Though my flesh awaits its raising, Still my soul continues praising:
I am baptized into Christ; I’m a child of paradise!*

Find a small shell or other object to remind us of our Baptism, when we were adopted as God’s Own Child.

READ through The Sacrament of Holy Baptism. (<https://catechism.cph.org/en/sacrament-of-holy-baptism.html>) Martin Luther said, “When you wash your face, remember your baptism.” *And this water symbolizes baptism that now saves you also – not the removal of dirt from the body but the pledge of a good conscience toward God. It saves you by the resurrection of Jesus Christ (1 Peter 3:21).*

What words do we use to remember our Baptism? We remember our Baptism with the Trinitarian Invocation. When we use these words in the Divine Service or in our prayers, we recall and confess before heaven, earth, and hell all that God has given to us in our Baptism: “victory over death and the devil, forgiveness of sin, God’s grace, the entire Christ, and the Holy Spirit with His gifts” (*Large Catechism* IV 41).

How do we rightly use our Baptism? We rightly use our Baptism when we live in repentance and faith in the Triune God who has made us His beloved children. “In this way one sees what a great, excellent thing Baptism is. It delivers us from the devil’s jaws and makes us God’s own. It suppresses and takes away sin and then daily strengthens the new man. It is working and always continues working until we pass from this estate of misery to eternal glory.” (*Large Catechism* IV 83)

Heavenly Father, thank you for adopting me through the waters of Baptism. Help me to cherish this gift and to carry the family name “Christian” with me in all that I do.
In Jesus’ name, Amen.



5. Confession:

Hymn: "I Lay My Sins on Jesus" (LSB 606)

*I lay my sins on Jesus, the spotless Lamb of God;
He bears them all and frees us From the accursed load.
I bring my guilt to Jesus To wash my crimson stains
Clean in His blood most precious Till not a spot remains.*

READ through the confession passage from the catechism, then see some of Luther's additional explanations below. (<https://catechism.cph.org/en/confession.html>)

What is the first part of Confession? We first confess - that is, acknowledge - our sins. In Confession, we admit that our sins have offended God and are deserving of His eternal punishment.

Psalm 32:3, 5 – *For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long... I acknowledged my sin to You, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.*

What sins should we confess before God? We should confess all sins. When we say, "Forgive us our trespasses," as Jesus teaches us, we are confessing all our sins, known and unknown, intended, and unintended. In praying this petition, Christians are reminded that all our life is one of repentance.

Psalm 19:12 – *Who can discern his errors? Declare me innocent from hidden faults.*

What sins should we confess before our neighbor? We should confess to our neighbors our sins against them. We recognize the harm our sin has done to our neighbors, and we seek their forgiveness and reconciliation.

James 5:16 – *Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working.*

What sins should we confess to our pastor? When we are particularly troubled by our sin and its consequences in our lives, we have the opportunity to go to our pastor for individual (or private) Confession and Absolution.

2 Samuel 12:13 – *David said to Nathan, "I have sinned against the LORD." And Nathan said to David, "The LORD also has put away your sin; you shall not die."*

What is the second part of Confession before the pastor? After we have confessed our sins, the word of Christ's absolution is spoken by our pastor. By it, our sins are fully and completely forgiven before God.

2 Corinthians 5:18 – *All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to Himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation.*

Do you have a spare KEY? It can remind us of this special function... the Office of the Keys.

Heavenly Father, You promise to hear us when we pray. Today I confess
Please forgive me. Help me do better. In Jesus' name, Amen.



6. The Sacrament of the Altar:

Find a bandage and look at it. What does the bandage do? What is the purpose? **To cover a sore, stop the bleeding....** So, is Jesus our bandage? Think about what He has done—He suffered and died. Jesus gave His body and blood for us.

The Sacrament of the Altar was given to us through God for our sinfulness, troubles, sorrows, difficulties, and stress in our lives. READ the text from the catechism now. (<https://catechism.cph.org/en/sacrament-of-the-altar.html>) Through the Lord's Supper we receive forgiveness, life and salvation. From these treasures of God's mercy are the love, peace, and hope that He gives us through the Lord's Supper. You do not just eat and drink, but you also remember the words, "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins."

Why do we need the Lord's Supper? Why do we receive the Lord's Supper? What is Jesus giving us through the Lord's Supper? Scripture tells us!

1 Corinthians 11:23-26 – *For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, "This is My body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of Me." In the same way, after supper He took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in My blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of Me."* (See also Matthew 26:26-29 and Mark 14:22-25)

Acts 2: 42 – *They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.*

Hebrews 9:22 – *In fact, the law requires that nearly everything be cleansed with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness.*

1 John 1:7 – *But if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, His Son, purifies us from all sin.*

Hymn: "What Is This Bread" (LSB 629)

*What is this bread? Christ body risen from the dead:
This bread we break, This life we take, Was crushed to pay for our release,
O taste and see – The Lord is peace.*

*What is the wine? The blood of Jesus shed for mine;
The cup of grace Brings His embrace Of life and love until I sing!
O taste and see – The Lord is King!*

Dear Heavenly Father, thank you for Your body and blood that was shed for us, so we can nourish our souls. Help keep us in Your faith and make us stronger as we live each day of life. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.



7. Table of Duties:

If asked the question, “Who are you?” how would you respond?

Does your answer include wife, mother, daughter? Worker outside or inside the home, retired, or student? Maybe the words encourager, supporter, LWML member, or friend come to mind? What about supportive citizen or hearer of the Word? Did your answer include Christian or God’s own Child?

The Table of Duties is the conclusion of the catechism. It is a listing of the Bible passages addressing the very down-to-earth and yet, high-and-holy callings of Christians in their daily lives. Take a moment to READ through the Table of Duties.

(<https://catechism.cph.org/en/table-of-duties.html>)

Reflection and prayer:

So, what has God called you to do? What is your attitude towards your vocation – joy and eagerness, duty, burden, or contrite heart? Are you at ease or feel pushed out of your comfort zone?

Colossians 3:17 – *And whatever you do, in word and deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.*

We are commanded to *love your neighbor as yourself* (Romans 13:9) and to *pray for all people* (1 Timothy 2:1). Think of how you can fulfill that calling this coming week.

Hymn: “Take My Life and Let It Be” (LSB 783)

*Take my life and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
Take my moments and my days, Let them flow in ceaseless praise.*

*Take my will and make it Thine, It shall be no longer mine;
Take my heart, it is Thine own, It shall be Thy royal throne.*

*Take my love, my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treasure store;
Take myself, and I will be Ever, only, all for Thee.*

Loving God, you have called us to serve and obey You by living according to Your commandments in our everyday lives. Use us for Your good and to be a blessing toward others. Let our faith in Jesus Christ be active as we live in our various callings so that others may see Your love through us. Amen.

As you hold your phone, let it be a daily reminder of how God is calling you.

- Thank you for your participation. You may share this with others in your local groups. -



LUTHERS SMALL CATECHISM

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THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

The First Commandment

You shall have no other gods.

What does this mean? We should fear, love, and trust in God above all things.

The Second Commandment

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we do not curse, swear, use satanic arts, lie, or deceive by His name, but call upon it in every trouble, pray, praise, and give thanks.

The Third Commandment

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we do not despise preaching and His Word, but hold it sacred and gladly hear and learn it.

The Fourth Commandment

Honor your father and mother.

What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we do not despise or anger our parents or other authorities, but honor them, serve, and obey them, love and cherish them.

The Fifth Commandment

You shall not murder.

What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we do not hurt or harm our neighbor in his body, but help and support him in every physical need.

The Sixth Commandment

You shall not commit adultery.

What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we lead a sexually pure and decent life in what we say and do, and husband and wife love and honor each other.

The Seventh Commandment

You shall not steal.

What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we do not take our neighbor's money or possessions, or get them in any dishonest way, but help him to improve and protect his possessions and income.

The Eighth Commandment

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we do not tell lies about our neighbor, betray him, slander him, or hurt his reputation, but defend him, speak well of him, and explain everything in the kindest way.

The Ninth Commandment

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we do not scheme to get our neighbor's inheritance or house, or get it in a way which only appears right, but help and be of service to him in keeping it.



The Tenth Commandment

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we do not entice or force away our neighbor's wife, workers, or animals, or turn them against him, but urge them to stay and do their duty.

The Close of the Commandments

What does God say about all these commandments?

He says, "I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sins of the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate Me, but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love Me and keep My commandments."

What does this mean? God threatens to punish all who break these commandments. Therefore, we should fear His wrath and not do anything against them. But He promises grace and every blessing to those who keep these commandments. Therefore, we should also love and trust in Him and gladly do what He commands.

THE CREED

The First Article

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

What does this mean? I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them.

He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all I that I need to support this body and life.

He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil.

All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him.

This is most certainly true.

The Second Article

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

What does this mean? I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord,

who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity.

This is most certainly true.

The Third Article

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.



What does this mean? I believe that I cannot by own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith.

In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.

In this Christian church he daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers.

On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ.

This is most certainly true.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Introduction

Our Father who art in heaven.

What does this mean? With these words God tenderly invites us to believe that He is our true Father and that we are His true children, so that with all boldness and confidence we may ask Him as dear children ask their dear father.

The First Petition

Hallowed be Thy name.

What does this mean? God's name is certainly holy in itself, but we pray in this petition that it may be kept holy among us also.

How is God's name kept holy? God's name is kept holy when the Word of God is taught in its truth and purity and we, as the children of God, also lead holy lives according to it. Help us to do this, dear Father in heaven! But anyone who teaches or lives contrary to God's Word profanes the name of God among us. Protect us from this, heavenly Father!

The Second Petition

Thy kingdom come.

What does this mean? The kingdom of God certainly comes by itself without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may come to us also.

How does God's kingdom come? God's kingdom comes when our heavenly Father gives us His Holy Spirit, so that by His grace we believe His holy Word and lead godly lives here in time and there in eternity.

The Third Petition

Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

What does this mean? The good and gracious will of God is done even without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may be done among us also.

How is God's will done? God's will is done when He breaks and hinders every evil plan and purpose of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature, which do not want us to hallow God's name or let His kingdom come; and when He strengthens and keeps us firm in His Word and faith until we die.

This is His good and gracious will.

The Fourth Petition

Give us this day our daily bread.

What does this mean? God certainly gives daily bread to everyone without our prayers, even to all evil people, but we pray in this petition that God would lead us to realize this and to receive our daily bread with thanksgiving.

What is meant by daily bread? Daily bread includes everything that has to do with the support and needs of the body, such as food, drink, clothing, shoes, house, home, land, animals, money, goods, a devout husband or wife, devout children, devout workers, devout and faithful rulers, good government, good weather, peace, health, self-control, good reputation, good friends, faithful neighbors, and the like.



The Fifth Petition

And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.

What does this mean? We pray in this petition that our Father in heaven would not look at our sins, or deny our prayer because of them. We are neither worthy of the things for which we pray, nor have we deserved them, but we ask that He would give them all to us by grace, for we daily sin much and surely deserve nothing but punishment. So we too will sincerely forgive and gladly do good to those who sin against us.

The Sixth Petition

And lead us not into temptation.

What does this mean? God tempts no one. We pray in this petition that God would guard and keep us so that the devil, the world, and our sinful nature may not deceive us or mislead us into false belief, despair, and other great shame and vice. Although we are attacked by these things, we pray that we may finally overcome them and win the victory.

The Seventh Petition

But deliver us from evil.

What does this mean? We pray in this petition, in summary, that our Father in heaven would rescue us from every evil of body and soul, possessions and reputation, and finally, when our last hour comes, give us a blessed end, and graciously take us from this valley of sorrow to Himself in heaven.

The Conclusion

What does this mean? This means that I should be certain that these petitions are pleasing to our Father in heaven, and are heard by Him; for He Himself has commanded us to pray in this way and has promised to hear us. Amen, amen, which means “yes, yes, it shall be so.”

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

First – What is Baptism?

Baptism is not just plain water, but it is the water included in God’s command and combined with God’s word.

What is that word of God?

Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Matthew: “Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.”

Second -- What benefits does Baptism give?

It works forgiveness of sins, rescues from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe this, as the words and promises of God declare.

Which are these words and promises of God?

Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Mark, “Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved; whoever does not believe will be condemned.”

Third -- How can water do such great things?

Certainly not just water, but the word of God in and with the water does these things, along with the faith which trusts this word of God in the water. For without God’s word the water is plain water and no Baptism. But with the word of God it is a Baptism, that is, a life-giving water, rich in grace, and a washing of the new birth in the Holy Spirit, as St. Paul says in Titus, Ch. 3, “He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by His grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life. This is a trustworthy saying.” (Titus 3.5-8)

Fourth -- What does such baptizing with water mean?

It indicates that the Old Adam in us should by daily contrition and repentance be drowned and die with all sins and evil desires, and that a new man should daily emerge and arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.



Where is this written?

St. Paul writes in Romans chapter six, "We were therefore buried with Him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life."

CONFESSION

What is Confession?

Confession has two parts. First, that we confess our sins, and second, that we receive absolution, that is, forgiveness, from the pastor as from God Himself, not doubting but firmly believing, that by it our sins are forgiven before God in heaven.

What sins should we confess?

Before God we should plead guilty of all sins, even those we are not aware of, as we do in the Lord's Prayer; but before the pastor we should confess only those sins which know and feel in our hearts.

What is the Office of the Keys?

The Office of the Keys is that special authority which Christ has given to His church on earth to forgive the sins of repentant sinners, but to withhold forgiveness from the unrepentant as long as they do not repent.

Where is this written?

This is what St. John the Evangelist writes in chapter twenty: The Lord Jesus breathed on His disciples and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone his sins, they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven." (John 20:22-23)

What do you believe according to these words?

I believe that when the called ministers of Christ deal with us by His divine command, in particular when they exclude openly unrepentant sinners from the Christian congregation and absolve those who repent of their sins and want to do better, this is just as valid and certain, even in heaven, as if Christ our dear Lord dealt with us Himself.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR

What is the Sacrament of the Altar?

It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine, instituted by Christ Himself for us Christians to eat and drink.

Where is this written?

The holy evangelists Matthew, Mark, Luke, and St. Paul write: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread. And when He had given thanks, He broke it, and gave it to the disciples and said, "Take; eat. This is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them saying, "Drink of it, all of you. This cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

What is the benefit of such bodily eating and drinking?

These words, "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins," show us that in the Sacrament forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation are given us through these words. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation.



How can bodily eating and drinking do such great things?

Certainly not just eating and drinking do these things, but the words written here: “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.” These words, along with the bodily eating and drinking, are the main thing in the Sacrament. Whoever believes these words has exactly what they say: “forgiveness of sins.”

Who receives this Sacrament worthily?

Fasting and bodily preparation are certainly fine outward training. But that person is truly worthy and well prepared who has faith in these words: “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.”

But anyone who does not believe these words or doubts them is unworthy and unprepared, for the words “for you” require all hearts to believe.

TABLE of DUTIES

Certain passages of Scripture for various holy orders and positions, admonishing them about their duties and responsibilities

To Bishops, Pastors, and Preachers

The overseer must be above reproach, the husband of but one wife, temperate, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, not given to drunkenness, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money.

He must manage his own family well and see that his children obey him with proper respect. 1 Tim. 3:2–4

He must not be a recent convert, or he may become conceited and fall under the same judgment as the devil. 1 Tim. 3:6

He must hold firmly to the trustworthy message as it has been taught, so that he can encourage others by sound doctrine and refute those who oppose it. Titus 1:9

What the Hearers Owe Their Pastors

The Lord has commanded that those who preach the gospel should receive their living from the gospel. 1 Cor. 9:14

Anyone who receives instruction in the word must share all good things with his instructor. Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows. Gal. 6:6–7

The elders who direct the affairs of the church well are worthy of double honor, especially those whose work is preaching and teaching. For the Scripture says, “Do not muzzle the ox while it is treading out the grain,” and “The worker deserves his wages.” 1 Tim. 5:17–18

We ask you, brothers, to respect those who work hard among you, who are over you in the Lord and who admonish you. Hold them in the highest regard in love because of their work. Live in peace with each other. 1 Thess. 5:12–13

Obey your leaders and submit to their authority. They keep watch over you as men who must give an account. Obey them so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be of no advantage to you. Heb. 13:17

Of Civil Government

Everyone must submit himself to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God. Consequently, he who rebels against the authority is rebelling against what God has instituted, and those who do so will bring judgment on themselves. For rulers hold no terror for those who do right, but for those who do wrong. Do you want to be free from fear of the one in authority? Then do what is right and he will commend you. For he is God’s servant to do you good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for he does not bear the sword for nothing. He is God’s servant, an agent of wrath to bring punishment on the wrong-doer. Rom. 13:1–4

Of Citizens

Give to Caesar what is Caesar’s, and to God what is God’s. Matt. 22:21

It is necessary to submit to the authorities, not only because of possible punishment but also because of conscience. This is also why you pay taxes, for the authorities are God’s servants, who give their full time to governing. Give everyone what you owe him: If you owe taxes, pay taxes; if revenue, then revenue; if respect, then respect; if honor, then honor. Rom. 13:5–7



I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone—for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. This is good, and pleases God our Savior.

1 Tim. 2:1–3

Remind the people to be subject to rulers and authorities, to be obedient, to be ready to do whatever is good.

Titus 3:1

Submit yourselves for the Lord’s sake to every authority instituted among men: whether to the king, as the supreme authority, or to governors, who are sent by him to punish those who do wrong and to commend those who do right. 1 Peter 2:13–14

To Husbands

Husbands, in the same way be considerate as you live with your wives, and treat them with respect as the weaker partner and as heirs with you of the gracious gift of life, so that nothing will hinder your prayers. 1 Peter 3:7

Husbands, love your wives and do not be harsh with them. Col. 3:19

To Wives

Wives, submit to your husbands as to the Lord. Eph. 5:22

They were submissive to their own husbands, like Sarah, who obeyed Abraham and called him her master. You are her daughters if you do what is right and do not give way to fear. 1 Peter 3:5–6

To Parents

Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord. Eph. 6:4

To Children

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. “Honor your father and your mother”—which is the first commandment with a promise—“that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth.” Eph. 6:1–3

To Workers of All Kinds

Slaves, obey your earthly masters with respect and fear, and with sincerity of heart, just as you would obey Christ. Obey them not only to win their favor when their eye is on you, but like slaves of Christ, doing the will of God from your heart. Serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not men, because you know that the Lord will reward everyone for whatever good he does, whether he is slave or free. Eph. 6:5–8

To Employers and Supervisors

Masters, treat your slaves in the same way. Do not threaten them, since you know that He who is both their Master and yours is in heaven, and there is no favoritism with Him. Eph. 6:9

To Youth

Young men, in the same way be submissive to those who are older. All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, because, “God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.” Humble yourselves, therefore, under God’s mighty hand, that He may lift you up in due time. 1 Peter 5:5–6

To Widows

The widow who is really in need and left all alone puts her hope in God and continues night and day to pray and to ask God for help. But the widow who lives for pleasure is dead even while she lives. 1 Tim. 5:5–6

To Everyone

The commandments ... are summed up in this one rule: “Love your neighbor as yourself.” Rom. 13:9

I urge ... that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone. 1 Tim. 2:1

Let each his lesson learn with care, and all the household well shall fare.



Lutheran Women's Missionary League Kansas District

CONVENTION SPEAKERS

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CONVENTION SPEAKERS

Bible Study Leader – Pastor Jay Hobson



Jay is the pastor of Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church in Skiatook, OK. He earned his Master of Divinity from Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, Indiana, and was ordained into the holy ministry in 2011. The desire to tell others about the love of God in Christ Jesus was what drove Jay to become a pastor, which he still loves doing to this day. He spent the first eight years of his ministry at two wonderful congregations in Hepler and Erie, Kansas, and served four years as pastoral counselor for the LWML Kansas District from 2014-2018.

When he is not “wearing the clerical,” Jay loves spending time with his wife Angelyn and wrestling with his three kiddos, Julius (5), Amelia (2), and Ezra (9 months!). He is also a graduate of the University of Oklahoma. So, Boomer Sooner!

NATIONAL LWML REPRESENTATIVE

Carol von Soosten – LWML Gift Planning Counselor

Carol von Soosten went home hooked on LWML after her first convention as a Young Woman Representative. She was so uplifted and energized, she told complete strangers in the grocery store about her mountaintop experience. She says Lutheran Women in Mission and LWML conventions should consider a warning label, “Caution, may become addicting with prolonged use!” Carol loves the LWML because spreading the Gospel message is at the heart of everything they do. Sharing the joy of serving the Lord and His gift of salvation while connecting people and funding to missions is something she really appreciates. Providing materials and resources for all women is another powerful blessing of Lutheran Women in Mission. Carol is so thankful that LWML provides a place for all women to use their gifts in service to the Lord.



As your LWML Gift Planning Counselor, Carol joyfully serves as a guide to help LWML members transfer their God-given blessings to the people they love, and the ministries they care about, by putting a prayerfully-considered Charitable Gift Plan in place. LWML Gift Planning Counselors help you discover how you can share your faith, minimize taxes, bless your family, and make a lasting impact on your ministry with your estate. Carol’s previous experience in leadership and development blends with her enthusiasm for all Lutheran Women in Mission. What a wonderful way to encourage missions with ongoing financial support.



Susan Brunkow
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***The LWML Kansas District is
blessed that two of the five
LWML Vice Presidents are
Lutheran Women in Mission
in Kansas.***

***Both plan to bring greetings to the
virtual convention.***



Eden Keefe
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NATIONAL LWML REPRESENTATIVE from the Board of Directors

***Marie Chow – Vice President of Organizational Resources
2019-2023***



Lutheran Women's Missionary League

Marie Chow first became involved with the Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) as a Young Woman Representative to the LWML Washington-Alaska District Convention in 1990. Marie's first mentor, district officer Judy Knebel, asked Marie, who had more experience than Judy in certain areas, to help with various tasks. That led to Marie attending zone and district events and eventually, her local group.

She believes that as the LWML continues to grow and adapt to our ever-changing world, our organization will continue to inspire and encourage all women to be in the Word and to use their unique God-given gifts and talents to serve Him and share the Good News and His love with each other, their neighbors, and people throughout the world. Our organization is focused on the Word and on missions. The LWML encourages women to use their time and talents to expand the kingdom of God, and that's why Marie is involved. She loves the fellowship at each and every gathering.

Marie served as the LWML Meeting Manager from 2011–2015. In the LWML Washington–Alaska District, she served as President from 2014–2018, Vice President of Servant Resources from 2010–2014, Planner from 2008–2010, and Recording Secretary 2004–2008. She was also Zone Secretary-Treasurer and held various offices in her local group.

Community activities include assisting with an employee resource group at work with planning events to promote awareness of Asian Americans' cultural strengths and capabilities to drive a positive business impact. She works full time as a principal software engineer at Liberty Mutual Technology Group, Inc. Marie likes to read and travel in her free time.

Marie is the oldest of four girls and lives with her widowed mother and sister. Her other two sisters are married; she has one niece and two nephews. At her local church, Marie is the co-deacon of social ministry, where the focus is to serve others through volunteering, ingatherings, or donating monetary gifts. She is also involved with the puppet ministry, serves as an offering steward, and as a greeter. You can tell by her smile that she is an excellent greeter.

Her favorite Bible verse is *Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths* (Proverbs 3:5–6).



YOUNG WOMAN REPRESENTATIVES – KANSAS YWR REFLECTIONS ON THE 2019 CONVENTION IN MOBILE, ALABAMA



During my time as a Young Woman's Representative in Mobile, I learned a great deal about LWML. I was highly impressed at the numerous missions that were being funded through Mite Boxes locally and abroad. It was inspiring to hear from a few of the missions that were voted on at the previous convention and see what incredible work God has helped them accomplish. Being surrounded by women who are passionate to serve God was a highpoint, especially all the young women I was able to connect with. I was also not expecting how effortless it was to talk to new people at the convention. Normally this is a challenge for me, but thanks to a scavenger hunt the YWR committee came up with, I was able to open up and talk with various women at the convention. This included meeting several members of the national convention committees who I would never have talked to otherwise. It showed me how approachable the members of LWML are. We are all working together to "Serve the Lord with gladness!"

-- Sarah Winkler, Hutchinson

While there are lots of convention highlights, my favorite was the **quality conversations and building relationships** with so many amazing Christian women. These are my highlights:

- The four of us Kansas YWR's shared a room and had great life chats via pillow talk.
- Sitting with the Kansas delegation we were right up front taking in all the business of the LWML and had time to discuss and share in "awe" over the impact of what mites, the Word and hard work can do.
- We had prayer partners with YWRs from other states and we shared our challenges with the encouragement that God is bigger than our struggles.
- I had conversations with Bible study author Donna Pyle, about the challenges of being a woman in today's society.
- My home congregation is struggling without a pastor, and I found many women in similar situations wrestling with similar questions.
- Sharing this experience with my mom, knowing that LWML has provided her and my grandmothers these blessings for a long time.

Praise to the Lord, we are not alone! God sent so many blessings to me this convention through the women of the LWML. After going to convention, if you were to ask me, "What does LWML do?" I would say this: Women build up one another to use their God-given talents in service to Him.

-- Kristen Brunkow O'Shea, Topeka

My parents checked me into my room so I could meet my roommates, the other Kansas YWRs. This experience provided me with new friends. It helped shed some light on some future decisions. It opened my eyes about the Mite Boxes and the many people whose mite offerings help. LWML has to continually try new ideas. We need to see that every woman in church has a Mite Box!

-- Shelisa Fick, Liberal

My time in Mobile was an experience to remember. Meeting new and encouraging women who are strong in their faith to the Lord was such a blessing. It helped to build new friendships and grow in my own faith. It was a joy to meet so many amazing ladies who have become so dear to me.

My favorite part was riding the bus. Making some lasting memories and being surrounded by all the joyful ladies who were present was inspiring. I have even seen a few of them since the trip, which makes it all the more joyful when we get to reconnect.

The speakers and the Bible Studies were perfect for the occasion and the voices filling the auditorium were incredible! I enjoyed the music, singing and laughter we shared together, both as a group, and also among new friends. God's grace was truly and powerfully present and moving in and throughout Mobile.

Since my return home, I have continued to share God's love and grace with those I come into contact with. Mobile was a true grace-filled experience for me. I can still feel the awe and wonder of those days, praying as one, in Christ, together. I cling to that experience and pray I may return someday.

-- Brenae Ard, El Dorado



Lutheran Women's Missionary League Kansas District

CONVENTION BUSINESS

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PROPOSED CONVENTION RULES – 2020 VIRTUAL FORMAT

Additions or changes for 2020 are highlighted in yellow

1. According to LWML Kansas District Bylaws, Article IX, Section 1: “The voting assembly of the District Convention shall be:
 - a. Two (2) delegates who will represent each unit in the District. When the membership in the societies within a unit totals more than twenty (20) members, one (1) additional delegate may be elected for each additional twenty (20) members or a major fraction thereof;
 - b. All zone presidents, district elected officers, appointed officers, and standing committee chairmen; and
 - c. All past district presidents who are currently members of Kansas District.”
2. According to LWML Kansas District Bylaws, Article IX, Section 3: “A member of the voting assembly shall vote in one (1) capacity only. Proxy votes are prohibited.”
3. According to LWML Kansas District Bylaws, Article IX, Section 4: “A majority of the registered voting assembly shall constitute a quorum.”
4. Members may speak to a question, but only delegates are permitted to make motions and vote. ~~Speakers from the floor must use one of the microphones and give name and zone or congregation to be recognized.~~
5. Discussion is limited to ~~two (2) minutes for each speaker~~ **two emails per delegate**. **Emails must include the name and zone or society/group to be recognized of the author.** No one may ~~speak~~ **email** more than twice on a question unless consent is granted by a ~~two-thirds (2/3) vote of the delegates.~~ **the District President and Parliamentarian.**
6. A motion ~~offered from the floor~~ must be presented to the ~~secretary~~ **District President** in writing, signed by the maker. **Email a copy of the motion to the Recording Secretary and Parliamentarian.**
7. No motion is necessary to accept reports of officers or committee chairmen.
8. The parliamentarian interprets the rules and advises parliamentary procedure when asked to do so by the chair.
9. ~~Announcements shall be handed to a hostess, who will deliver them to the president’s page. At the chair’s discretion, only urgent announcements will be made from the podium.~~ **Announcements may be emailed to the District President.**
10. No literature **or information** of any kind may be distributed ~~at the convention rooms or assembly hall or mailed or emailed to delegates~~ without the permission of the Executive Committee.
11. ~~It is requested that no pictures be taken during the worship services and other devotional periods.~~
12. The credentials chairman shall be instructed to destroy all ballots ~~at the close of the convention.~~ **after the voting results are ratified by the Executive Committee and the virtual convention has adjourned.**
13. These rules may be suspended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote.



BALLOTING GUIDELINES – 2020 VIRTUAL FORMAT

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Approved by the Convention Delegates by Mail-in Ballot Vote, May 28, 2020

1. Elections will be held in the Sunflower Ballroom at the Capitol Plaza Hotel and Conference Center using paper ballots through the postal mail.
2. Balloting for officer election, Mission Grants, and God's Gracious Gift Fund Grants are done at the end of Convention Session 2 on Saturday morning by the deadlines listed in the Voting Instructions letter. Delegates who cannot vote at that time by the postmark deadline will forfeit the right to vote on these ballots.
3. Each Zone President or her designee will serve as clerk for her zone and will vote with her zone. All other members of the Board of Directors and past LWML Kansas District Presidents will verify and vote at the locations designated to them at the Board of Directors meeting. All Board of Directors members will be sent ballots and will vote by mail.
4. Each Zone President or her designee will have received an envelope at the Board of Directors dinner preceding the convention containing the proper number of ballots, as well as a cover sheet indicating the appropriate number of ballots included in the envelope, a place to record the number of ballots distributed, the number of blank ballots remaining in the packet, and a place for the president's signature. The District Recording Secretary, Vice-President of Organizational Resources/Parliamentarian, and Vice President of Christian Life will oversee the mailing, receipt, and counting of ballots.
5. Each Zone President or her designee will pick up the signed Zone Delegate Registration Sheet from the Registration Desk by 9:30 a.m. on Saturday morning. Only the number of individuals who signed the Zone Delegate Registration Sheet will be allowed to vote.
6. Each voter will receive three five color-coded ballots:
 - a. Approve Convention Rules, Balloting Guidelines and Nominations from the Floor – pink
 - b. Officer Election – Yellow
 - c. Mission Grants – White
 - d. GGGF Grants – Lavender
 - e. Bylaws – light blue
7. Each voter should read each ballot carefully to correctly mark her ballot. The ballot will be illegal if more than the specified number is marked.
8. After voting, UNFOLDED ballots are to be placed in the color-coded containers. ballots are to be mailed to the District Recording Secretary in the envelope provided. The affidavit on the back of the envelope must be completed.
9. All Verification Packets, with the cover sheet signed by the Zone President and including any undistributed ballots, are to be returned to the Credentials Chairman no later than 30 minutes after the start of balloting.
10. Ballots will be counted Saturday by the designated Tellers' Credentials Committee of plus designated members of the Southeast Zone at the date, time, and location approved by the Executive Committee. The Vice President of Christian Life will serve as Chairman of this committee.

Kathryn Richard, Recording Secretary and Credentials Chairman, Convention 2020

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NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

OFFICERS' BALLOT TO BE PRESENTED AT THE TOPEKA CONVENTION

By God's grace, the following people have consented to have their names placed as candidates for election to the LWML Executive Committee for 2020-2024:

PRESIDENT:

Kim Burdett	Kansas City Crossroads Zone	Olathe
Sherri Rose	Kansas City Crossroads Zone	Shawnee

VICE PRESIDENT OF CARING SERVICE:

Betty Amey	Wichita Zone	Bel Aire
Linda Stanton *	Hutchinson Zone	Hutchinson

VICE PRESIDENT OF COMMUNICATION:

Kris Osler	Wichita Zone	Andover
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RECORDING SECRETARY:

Mary Dohl	Wichita Zone	Wichita
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FINANCIAL SECRETARY:

Kathryn Richard	Southeast Zone	Arma
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PASTORAL COUNSELOR:

Rev. Michael Schmidt	Manhattan Zone	Manhattan
Rev. Dr. John Tape	Wichita Zone	Wichita

*(After the slate of candidates was approved by the Executive Committee and was published, Linda Stanton requested that her name be removed from the ballot due to a change in her career/retirement plans. We thank Linda for her willingness to serve.)

The Nominating Committee thanks all those willing to serve as officers, if elected, along with everyone who participated in the search for nominees. To God be the Glory!

Nominating Committee:

Beverly Wiese, Chairman	Lincoln Zone
Debbie Jenne	Herington Zone
Betty Kruse	Northwest Zone
Mary Jo Schultz	Southwest Zone
Mary Dohl	Wichita Zone

Advisory Roles:

Karen Morrison	Past President, 2012-2016
Rev. Robert Grimm	Senior Pastoral Counselor



Candidate for President

Kim Burdett – Kansas City CrossRoads Zone Christ Lutheran, Overland Park

Local LWML: Kim is a member of Christ Lutheran Church in Overland Park, but remains a member of Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church LWML; President, Vice President; Member Development Chairman

Zone LWML: Zone Treasurer (currently); Young Woman Representative to the Kansas District Convention in Hays (1996); Convention Budget Planning Committee; Member Development Committee

District LWML: Co-Chairman of the Endowment Committee (currently); Treasurer (2014-2018); Vice President of Gospel Outreach (2012-2014); Financial Secretary (2008-2012); Committee on Young Women, Member and Chairman; Member Development Committee, Member

National LWML: Attended three national conventions; LWML Finance Committee (2015-2017)

Other Church Related Experiences: Member of the handbell choir; Sunday School Superintendent and teacher; Vacation Bible School Superintendent and staff; Youth Group: Adult Counselor and Financial Secretary; Midweek Teacher; Adult Bible Study Leader; Retreat Chairman, and Event Planner

Work Experience: Employed part-time at Christ Lutheran Church and Education Center as an accounting assistant; Received Bachelor of Science degree in Business Finance from Kansas State University

General: Kim has been married to Chuck for 36 years, and they have three grown children: Alyssa, Christian, and Michaela (Brady), and three grandchildren. Kim's favorite pastime is loving on their grandchildren and spending time with their family, traveling, and baking goodies—especially unusual flavors of cheesecake and decorated cupcakes.

Kim states: "LWML has become a priceless treasure for me in my faith walk with Jesus Christ. Being a part of LWML's mission is truly a blessing and serving alongside all of my LWML peers has been a tremendous inspiration. You are all mentors to me as I strive to be a strong mentor to all of my you, my LWML family."



Candidate for President

Sherri Rose – Kansas City CrossRoads Zone Hope Lutheran, Shawnee

Local LWML: Hope – Shawnee LWML (2019-Present); Redeemer – Topeka LWML (1989-2019), President (several terms), Vice President; Grace – Kansas City LWML (1985-1989)

Zone LWML: President; Vice President; Christian Life Committee Chairman; Care and Needs Committee Chairman

District LWML: Vice President of Special Focus Ministries (2014-2018); Heart to Heart Sisters District Leader (2017 to present); Communication Committee, Member

National LWML: Attended LWML conventions in Peoria (2011), Des Moines (2015), Albuquerque (2017), and Mobile (2019); Participated in Heart to Heart Sisters Leader Training in Albuquerque (2017) and Mobile (2019)

Other Church Related Experiences: Co-Teacher Preschool Sunday School class; Board of Evangelism member; Church Secretary; Vacation Bible School teacher and song leader; Choir member; Children's Christmas Service Director; Attend weekly Bible study; New member of the bell choir

Work Experience: Church Secretary at Redeemer Lutheran Church (11 years); Volunteer at the LMH Health (Lawrence Memorial Hospital), Lawrence; LMH Health Volunteers Board Secretary and Governance Committee Chairman

General: Sherri has been married to Larry for 41 years this February, and they have two daughters: Kindle and Caitlin (Gary) and one grandson. She enjoys knitting, sewing, reading, browsing cookbooks, playing several musical instruments, and spending time with their young grandson.

Sherri states: "In March of 2019, my husband and I sold our house, moved to a temporary house, then moved into our current house in Shawnee. (My husband moved us in while I was attending the Mobile Convention!) We just transferred membership from Redeemer—Lawrence, and I am looking forward to seeing God's blessings and His plans unfold in our new location. There are so many things to learn and so many ways to serve others through this congregation. I'm also looking forward to meeting more LWML sisters, getting back into an LWML 'routine,' and becoming part of a different LWML Zone."



Candidates for Vice President of Caring Service

Betty Amey – Wichita Zone Holy Cross Lutheran, Wichita

Local LWML: President (4 terms); Women's Bible Study leader, LWML Committee Chairman, Funeral Dinner Chairman

Zone LWML: President (2 terms); Christian Growth Chairman

District LWML: Caring Service Committee Chairman; Attended several Kansas Assembly of Leaders meetings and several District conventions

National LWML: Attended four national conventions and was a delegate to the Des Moines Convention (2015)

Other Church Related Experiences: Sunday School teacher, Youth Ministry Leader, and Choir member; St. John's College Alumni Association Board Member; Orphan Grain Train (Wichita Warehouse) Board Member and volunteer; Bethesda resale shop (Wichita) weekly volunteer; Member of the LCMS Kansas District ad hoc Committee on Aging

Work Experience: Graduated from Concordia Teachers College; Taught four years at Holy Cross Lutheran School; Earned a Masters in Science Education and worked two years in a Title Math/Science program at Wichita State University; Filled in as teacher and principal several times while their children were young; Ended her career with 17 years as Math/Science teacher at Holy Cross Lutheran School.

General: Betty is married to Leon "Butch", and they have three adult children Rebecca (Mark), Ben (Colette), and Brian (Pam). She enjoys teaching, reading, home projects, traveling, playing bridge, and their grandchildren.



Due to a change in Linda's career and retirement plans, she requested that her name be withdrawn from the ballot. We thank Linda for her willingness to serve.

Linda Stanton – Hutchinson Zone Our Redeemer Lutheran, Hutchinson

Local LWML: President (6 years); Currently serves as Secretary

Zone LWML: Zone President; Caring Service Chairman

District LWML: 2018 Hutchinson Convention Registrar

National LWML: Attended the LWML convention in Albuquerque (2017)

Other Church Related Experiences: Taught Youth Club and Sunday School; Helped in the kitchen and served as Christian Service Representative on the Church Council; Works with the Angel Tree and the Monthly Soup Kitchen

Work Experience: Called as a Parish Worker to St. John's College where she served as the Secretary to the Dean of Students; Citizens Bank, Farmington, NM—Secretary in the Trust Department; First National/ Merchants Bank, Lawrence, KS—Loan Secretary, Head Teller, Assistant Cashier; Sunflower Bank, Salina, KS—Secretary, Operations Manager; Wiens & Company Construction—Office Secretary

General: Linda is married to Tom, and they have three adult children Mendy (Jason), Rebecca (Jared), and Nathan, and two grandchildren. Linda enjoys volunteering at church, being neighborly, helping friends and family, and spending time with their grandchildren.



Candidate for Vice President of Communication

Kris Osler – Wichita Zone

Holy Cross Lutheran, Wichita



Local LWML: LWML Women's Retreat Chairman 2013-Present; Society President, Advent by Candlelight Chairman (St. Paul's—Cheney)

District LWML: Special Focus Ministries Committee (2018); Christian Life Committee Chairman (2010-2014); Publications Committee Member and Circulation Chairman (2008-2010)

National LWML: Attended the LWML convention in Des Moines (2015)

Work Experience: Upper Grades Teacher, St. Paul's Lutheran—Cheney (2000-2003); Family and Consumer Sciences Teacher, Kapaun Mt. Carmel Catholic High School, Wichita (2011-Present)

Other Church Related Experiences: Women's Bible Study Leader (2015-Present); Holy Cross Fellowship Commissioner (2016-2019); Youth Group Fireworks Stand Manager (2017-2019)

General: Kris has been married to Tom for 32 years. They have three children: Erin, Sean (Miranda), and Trent. Kris enjoys quilting, writing Bible studies and devotions, and hiking.

Candidate for Recording Secretary

Mary Dohl – Wichita Zone

Holy Cross Lutheran, Wichita



Local LWML: Member (1993-Present); Vice President (1999-2000); President (2000-2001); Secretary, Treasurer, Special Focus Ministries, Christian Life Chairman (Present); Holy Cross Women's Retreat Committee (several retreats)

Zone LWML: President (2017-Present); Christian Growth Chairman, York Zone-NE (late 1980s); Zone Delegate for Nebraska South District to the LWML Convention in Fort Worth, TX (1987)

District LWML: Attended many District Conventions, often as a delegate

National LWML: Attended many LWML Conventions, Delegate (1987)

Work Experience: Substitute Teacher for USD 259-Wichita (2015-Present); Elementary and Middle Public School Teacher (31 years, retired in 2015); Customer Service Representative at Southwestern Bell Telephone (9 years)

Other Church Related Experiences: Stewardship Committee (Late 1990s to early 2000s); Singles Coordinator (1995-Present), Plan activities and create newsletter bi-monthly for Singles Ministry, Host and lead Singles Bible Studies, Team Captain for Special Events Committee; Church Choir (1992-Present); Sewing Sisters (making dresses and shorts that are distributed to children by missionaries)

General: Mary enjoys traveling, attending weekly programs at Wichita Museums, reading, participating in a Book Club, sewing, and is active in the Volkssport Walking Club.



Candidate for Financial Secretary

Kathryn Richard – Southeast Zone Zion Lutheran, Pittsburg



Local LWML: Secretary and Reporter (current); President, Caring Service Chairman

Zone LWML: Southeast Zone: Secretary (2014-2017); Vice President (2012-2014); President (2007-2011); Care and Needs Chairman (2005-2007); Bylaws Review Committee; Financial Review Committee

District LWML: Recording Secretary (2016-Present); Structure Committee (2005-2016) and Chairman (2012-2016); Nominating Committee two times, including Chairman; 2014 District Convention at Wichita: Co-Chairman and Planning Committee Secretary; Kansas Assembly of Leaders: Executive Committee presentations, Structure Committee displays and skits; Attended several Women's Retreats and District Christian Life Retreats

National LWML: Attended five national conventions

Work Experience: Kathryn retired in 2014 after 43 years at Pittsburg State University, 27 of which were as Director of the regional Small Business Development Center. She managed a budget of over \$275,000 and a staff of three in providing assistance to small businesses in 15 southeast Kansas counties. Assistance included cash flow and budget projections, marketing, business planning, etc. Other positions held include administrative assistant (7 years), research analyst (9 years), adjunct business faculty (9 years). Received Bachelor's degree in Business Education and MBA from Pittsburg State University

Other Church Related Experiences: Council Treasurer (2005-Present); Council Secretary (2000-2005); Stewardship Chairman (1989-1999); Altar Guild, many years including Chairman (2012-Present); Sunday School and Vacation Bible School teacher; various congregational committees; Thrivent congregational representative, fundraising events and service projects; organize quilting, school kit, and baby kit assembly projects for Lutheran World Relief

General: Kathryn has been married to Larry for 49 years. They have three children: Amy, Julie, Dan, and three grandchildren. Her hobbies include reading, quilting, and volunteering as 4-H Community Leader and clothing project leader (1981-present). Kathryn is also active in the community and volunteers with the Arma Homecoming Association, Secretary (2005-2010), Vice Chairman (2015-2017), and Chairman (2011-2015 and 2017-Present); and the Southeast Kansas Regional Prosperity Foundation, Board Member, Secretary (2005-Present). In the past, she has volunteered as a facilitator with the Crawford County Sixth Grade Youth Leadership (2005-2017) and with SEK, Inc. (regional economic development organization), Board Member and Recording Secretary (2010-2016). She also enjoys spending time caring for her mother and being with their grandchildren.



Candidate for Pastoral Counselor

Rev. Michael Schmidt – Manhattan Zone **St. Luke's Lutheran – Manhattan, KS**



Education:

- 2011 Master of Science – Family Life, Concordia University, Nebraska
- 1996 Master of Sacred Theology (STM), Concordia Seminary – St. Louis, MO
- 1995 Master of Divinity (MDiv), Concordia Seminary – St. Louis, MO
- 1989 Bachelor of Science in Industrial Engineering, California State Polytechnic University – Pomona, Pomona, CA

Work Experience:

- 2011-present Pastor – St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Manhattan, KS
- 2000-2011 Pastor – Desert Foothills Lutheran Church, Scottsdale, AZ
- 1996-2000 Associate Pastor – Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Fremont, CA
- 1989-1991 Industrial Engineering Intern, United Parcel Service, Anaheim and Laguna Hills, CA
- 1991 Manufacturing Engineering Intern at McDonnell Douglas in Monrovia, CA
- 1987-1989 Campus Life Director at Arcadia High School, Arcadia, CA
- 1987 Youth Director at Our Savior Lutheran Church
- 1985 & 1986 (Summer) Camp Counselor at Arrowhead Lutheran Camp, Arrowhead, CA

Congregation: During Pastor Schmidt's time at St. Luke's (2011-present), the congregation has become a Cancer Companions Congregation, started Trail Life USA and American Heritage Girls Troop KS-0057, and started a LERT (Lutheran Early Response Team) Team. The Preschool has also transitioned into an Early Learning Center. At his previous parish (2000-2011), the congregation started Stephen Ministry. He attends a ministerial group in Manhattan. St. Luke's is also in the process of relocating the church and expects to be at their new location in 2020.

Circuit: Pastor Schmidt has been active at Circuit Meetings and made a presentation for the Circuit Forum on Luther's 95 Theses in 2017. He has been supportive of his circuit (Circuit 8) starting Flint Hills Lutherans for Life. He served as the Circuit Counselor (2004-2011) when he was at his previous parish.

District: Pastor Schmidt served as a LERT theological trainer at a LERT Training event in April of 2019. At his previous District (Pacific Southwest District) he served on the Pastor's Conference Leadership Team in 2009.

Synod: He attended the Synodical Convention as a voting delegate in 2007, 2010, and 2013.

Other Church Related Experiences: Pastor Schmidt became a Stephen Ministry Trainer in 2002. His vicarage was in Gainesville, FL, where he was responsible for the Campus Ministry at the church.

General: Rev. Schmidt is married to Kristina, and they have three sons and one daughter who are ages 11 through 17. He enjoys watching sporting events and runs a fantasy football and baseball league at the church. He currently coaches a 5th- 6th grade baseball team.



Candidate for Pastoral Counselor

Rev. Dr. John Tape – Wichita Zone
Intentional Interim Pastor,
Lord of Life Lutheran – Leawood, KS



Education:

1993 Doctor of Systematic Theology, Concordia Seminary – St. Louis, MO
1984 Master of Theology, Lutheran School of Theology – Chicago, IL
1980 Master of Divinity, Concordia Theological Seminary – Fort Wayne, IN
1976 Bachelor of Arts, Concordia Senior College (LCMS) – Fort Wayne, IN
1974 Associate of Arts, Concordia College/University (LCMS) – Austin, TX

Work Experience: Rev. Dr. John W. Tape has served as a parish pastor in the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. He has served as the Executive Director of two recognized service organizations of the LCMS.

Congregation: He is a member of the Guatemala Mission team with Holy Cross Lutheran-Wichita.

District LCMS: Dr. Tape has served as a guest preacher, and he is a trained Reconciler for the LCMS Kansas District.

Synod: Pastor Tape also works part-time as a frequent guest instructor for Concordia Seminary – St. Louis, MO, teaching online theology courses. He has served as a Hearing Facilitator.

Other Church Related Experiences: Dr. Tape has served as the Pastoral Advisor for Fairmount Ministries (formerly known as the Lutheran Student Center) which provides service and Christian outreach to the campus of Wichita State University and the surrounding community.

General: John is married to Linda, who is an attorney with Koch and specializes in environmental law. John and Linda are members of Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Wichita, KS. They are blessed with three adult children and three grandchildren. In his free time, Dr. Tape enjoys reading and cooking.



CREDENTIALS REPORT

VOTING BODY:

Board of Directors: ___32___

Past Presidents: ___4___

Delegates: _188___

TOTAL VOTING: _224___



CANDIDATES FOR OFFICE – VOTING TALLY

PRESIDENT

Votes cast _215_ Votes necessary for election _108_
Invalid ballots ___0__

Kim Burdett Votes received ___140__

Sherri Rose Votes received ___75__

VICE PRESIDENT OF CARING SERVICE

Votes cast _210_ Votes necessary for election _106_
Invalid ballots ___0__

Betty Amey Votes received ___210__

~~Linda Stanton~~ ~~Votes received _____~~

VICE PRESIDENT OF COMMUNICATION

Votes cast _218_ Votes necessary for election _110_
Invalid ballots ___0__

Kris Osler Votes received ___218__

RECORDING SECRETARY

Votes cast _218_ Votes necessary for election _110_
Invalid ballots ___0__

Mary Dohl Votes received ___218__

FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Votes cast _218_ Votes necessary for election _110_
Invalid ballots ___0__

Kathryn Richard Votes received ___218__

PASTORAL COUNSELOR

Votes cast ___220_ Votes necessary for election ___111_
Invalid ballots ___1__

Rev. Michael Schmidt Votes received ___147__

Rev. Dr. John Tape Votes received ___72__



PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE LWML KANSAS DISTRICT BYLAWS

Approved by the Delegates by ballot vote for the “Virtual” LWML Kansas District Convention, June 22, 2020

If proposed amendments are adopted, the Organizational Resources Committee requests permission to renumber and re-letter sections to account for deletions and insertions, and to make any necessary spelling and typographical corrections.

1. ARTICLE V – OFFICERS, NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION, section 3-NOMINATING COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

Proposed amendment

Strike Letter E and move to duties of Parliamentarian

If adopted will read

~~E. prepare printed ballots with the names listed in alphabetical order for the District convention~~

Rationale: to aid in counting ease through consistency in ballot format

2. Article XI—DEPARTMENTS, COMMITTEES AND SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS, section D.—Gospel Outreach Department, 1.b.2.

Proposed Amendment

Strike “prepare ballots of” and insert “Give information regarding”; add “to the Parliamentarian for the preparation of ballots” following “application date,

If adopted will read:

~~Prepare ballots of~~ Give information regarding the proposed mission grants for the District Convention, listing them according to their application date, to the Parliamentarian for the preparation of ballots

Rationale: to aid in counting ease through consistency in ballot format

3. Article XI—DEPARTMENTS, COMMITTEES AND SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS, section D.—Gospel Outreach Department, 1.c.2.

Proposed Amendment

Strike “prepare ballots of” and insert “Give information regarding”; add “to the Parliamentarian for the preparation of ballots” following “application date,

If adopted shall read:

~~Prepare ballots of~~ Give information regarding the proposed GGGF grants for the District Convention, listing them according to their application date, to the Parliamentarian for the preparation of ballots;

Rationale: to aid in counting ease through consistency in ballot format

4. Article XI—DEPARTMENTS, COMMITTEES AND SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS, section 6.C. (Parliamentarian)

Proposed Amendment

Add a semi-colon and the word “and” to 2.; Add 3.

If adopted shall read:

2. be an ex officio member of the Organizational Resources committee (see Article XI, Section 3.E.1); and
3. prepare convention ballots for Mission Grant proposals, GGGF proposals, and election of officers and pastoral advisor.

Rationale: to aid in counting ease through consistency in ballot format



5. Article VI-DUTIES OF OFFICERS, section 6.G.

Proposed Amendment

Insert “District Bylaws and” before “Leadership Guidelines”

If adopted shall read:

G. oversee the on-going review of the District Bylaws and Leadership Guidelines;

Rationale: to conform to current practice

6. Article XII-FINANCES, section 4.A. Heading

Proposed Amendment

Insert “(SFA)” before “Fund”

If adopted will read:

A. Student Financial Aid (SFA) Fund

Rationale: for conformity within the document and clarity within section 4

7. Article XII-FINANCES, section 4.A.1.

Proposed Amendment

Strike “the” before “Student Financial Aid”, strike “(SFA) fund”, use lower case for “Student Financial Aid”

If adopted will read:

1. Monies designated for student financial aid shall be invested in an account in the Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF) with a minimum of \$10,000 remaining invested. Interest and principal above the minimum balance will be disbursed by semester as financial aid to students preparing for full-time church work, in accordance with the procedures put forth in the *Leadership Guidelines*.

Rationale: for clarity within the document

8. Article XI-DEPARTMENTS, COMMITTEES, AND SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS, Section 3.B. (Christian Life) 1.b.

Proposed Amendment

Strike section 3.B.1.b. completely

~~b. be responsible for promoting the distribution of prayer and praise requests among interested District members via prayer email;~~

Rationale: to conform to current practice. This is no longer the responsibility of this committee; it is the responsibility of special appointed personnel—Prayer mail coordinator. (see Article XI, section 6.G.)

9. Article XI-DEPARTMENTS, COMMITTEES, AND SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS, section 6.E.3. (Short Term Mission Coordinator)

Proposed Amendment

Insert “provides” before “reports”, strike comma and insert “and” after “Committee” and strike “and the District Convention”.

If adopted will read:

3. provides reports for Executive Committee and Board of Directors.

Rationale: clarification of duties and removing unnecessary words. (Report for the District Convention is covered under general duties of all special appointed personnel.)



10. Article XVII—AMENDMENTS, section 1.B.

Proposed Amendment

Strike “have been” and insert “be”; Strike “approved by the national Structure Committee” and insert “approved by the LWML Structure Committee” following “Board of Directors”.

If adopted shall read:

B. The proposed amendments shall be presented for approval to the District Board of Directors, approved by the LWML Structure Committee, and published in the District newsletter two (2) months prior to the District Convention.

Rationale: to conform with procedural steps in Article XI, section 3.E. and national practice

11. Article XI- DEPARTMENTS, COMMITTEES, AND SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS, Section 6.H.

Proposed Amendment

Strike 6.H. completely and move to Special Focus Ministries (Article XI, section F)

Currently reads:

The Heart to Heart Sisters District Leader shall develop and facilitate the District Heart to Heart Sisters program as per training received from LWML.

Rationale: to conform to current national practice

12. Article XI- DEPARTMENTS, COMMITTEES, AND SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS, section F- SPECIAL FOCUS MINISTRIES DEPARTMENT

Proposed Amendment

Insert “and the Heart to Heart Sisters District Leader and committee” after “Ministries Committee”

If adopted will read:

The Special Focus Ministries Department shall include the Special Focus Ministries Committee and the Heart to Heart Sisters District Leader and committee. The Vice President of Special Focus Ministries shall be coordinator of the Special Focus Ministries Department.

Rationale: to conform to current national practice

13. Article XI- DEPARTMENTS, COMMITTEES, AND SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS, section F.2.

Proposed Amendment:

Add 2. The Heart to Heart Sisters District Leader and Committee shall develop and facilitate the District Heart to Heart Sisters program as per training and guidelines received from LWML and/or direction from the District Executive Committee” under section F.

If adopted will read:

2. The Heart to Heart Sisters District Leader and Committee shall develop and facilitate the District Heart to Heart Sisters program as per training and guidelines received from LWML and/or direction from the District Executive Committee.

Rationale: to conform to current national practice and to cover the time lapse between national training and District appointment



14. Article XI-DEPARTMENTS, COMMITTEES, AND SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS, section 6.A.**Proposed Amendment**

Strike “Heart to Heart Sisters District Leader”

If adopted will read:

A. The Special Appointed Personnel shall be Archivist/Historian, Parliamentarian, District Convention Chairman, Short-term Mission Coordinator, Lutheran World Relief Coordinator, and Prayer Mail Coordinator. Special Appointed Personnel shall:

Rationale: this position is now part of the Special Focus Ministries Department

15. Article XI—DEPARTMENTS, COMMITTEES AND SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS, Section 6-SPECIAL APPOINTED PERSONNEL**Proposed Amendment**

Add H. The Travel Chairman shall explore options for transportation to the national convention.

If adopted will read:

H. The Travel Chairman shall explore options for transportation to the national convention.

Rationale: To have a person in the Kansas District responsible for exploring travel options to national conventions and to conform to current practice.

16. Article XI—DEPARTMENTS, COMMITTEES AND SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS, section 6-SPECIAL APPOINTED PERSONNEL, A.**Proposed Amendment**

Strike “and” before “Prayer Mail Coordinator”; Insert “and Travel Chairman.” following “Prayer Mail Coordinator”.

If adopted shall read:

A. The Special Appointed Personnel shall be Archivist/Historian, Parliamentarian, District Convention Chairman, Short-term Mission Coordinator, Lutheran World Relief Coordinator, ~~and~~ Prayer Mail Coordinator, and Travel Chairman. Special Appointed Personnel shall:

Rationale: To have a position available in the Kansas District that is responsible for exploring travel options to national conventions and to conform to current practice.

17. Article IV—ORGANIZATION, section 3**Proposed Amendment**

Strike “national” from the last line

If adopted shall read:

The District is composed of societies and individual members within congregations of the LCMS, on campuses, in resident homes, and those organized in settings other than these. Societies are united to form zones, zones are united to form districts; and districts are united to form the ~~national~~ LWML.

Rationale: to remove unnecessary words from bylaws

Conforming Amendments: Article VI-DUTIES OF OFFICERS, section 1.J.; Article VII-Pastoral Counselors, section 3.B.; Article IX—REPRESENTATION, Section 5, first line (the word “national” that appears in the heading and in B. will become “LWML”); Article X-ADMINISTRATION, section 2.C.7.; Article XI-DEPARTMENTS, COMMITTEES AND SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS, section 6.I.; Article XII-FINANCES, section 1.C.;



18. Article III-MEMBERS, section 1-SOCIETY

Proposed Amendment

Strike “society” and insert “group”

If adopted shall read:

Section 1 – ~~SOCIETY~~ GROUP

Rationale: To recognize flexibility in the names of local organizations and to conform to national practice

Conforming amendments: If the amendment is adopted, the same change will be made wherever the word society -(ies) appears. Article III-MEMBERS, sections 1 and 2; Article IV-ORGANIZATION, sections 1, 2, & 3; Article V-OFFICERS, NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION, section 3; Article VI-DUTIES OF OFFICERS, section 8.D., section 9.E.,; Article IX-REPRESENTATION, Section 1.A., Section 2.A., B., & C.,; Article X-ADMINISTRATION, section 1.C.4.; Article XI-DEPARTMENTS, COMMITTEES AND SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS, section 3.A.1.b., section 3.B.1.d.,; and Article XVII-AMENDMENTS, section 1.C.

19. Article XI-DEPARTMENTS, COMMITTEES AND SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS

Proposed Amendment

Strike “special” in all references to special appointed personnel

If adopted shall read:

ARTICLE XI – DEPARTMENTS, COMMITTEES, AND SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS

Rationale: to remove unnecessary words from bylaws and conform to national practice

Conforming Amendments: Article X-ADMINISTRATION, section 1.A.1., section 2.C.3., section 6 (heading), section 6.A.

20. Article VI-DUTIES OF OFFICERS, section 1.J.

Proposed Amendment

Strike “national LWML Board of Directors” and insert “LWML Presidents Assembly”

If adopted shall read:

J. serve, by virtue of the office, as a member of the LWML Presidents Assembly; and

Rationale: to conform to national practice

Conforming Amendments: Article IV, Section 4



2020-2022 Mission Goal of the LWML Kansas District

Approved by the Board of Directors by email vote, May 28, 2020.

The Mission Goal as adopted by the Board of Directors is:

\$ 43,000 for new Mission Grants to continue our support of work in missions,

\$ 40,000 for Student Financial Aid to help meet the need for fulltime church workers,

\$ 35,450 for operating, leadership training, convention, and publication expenditures, and

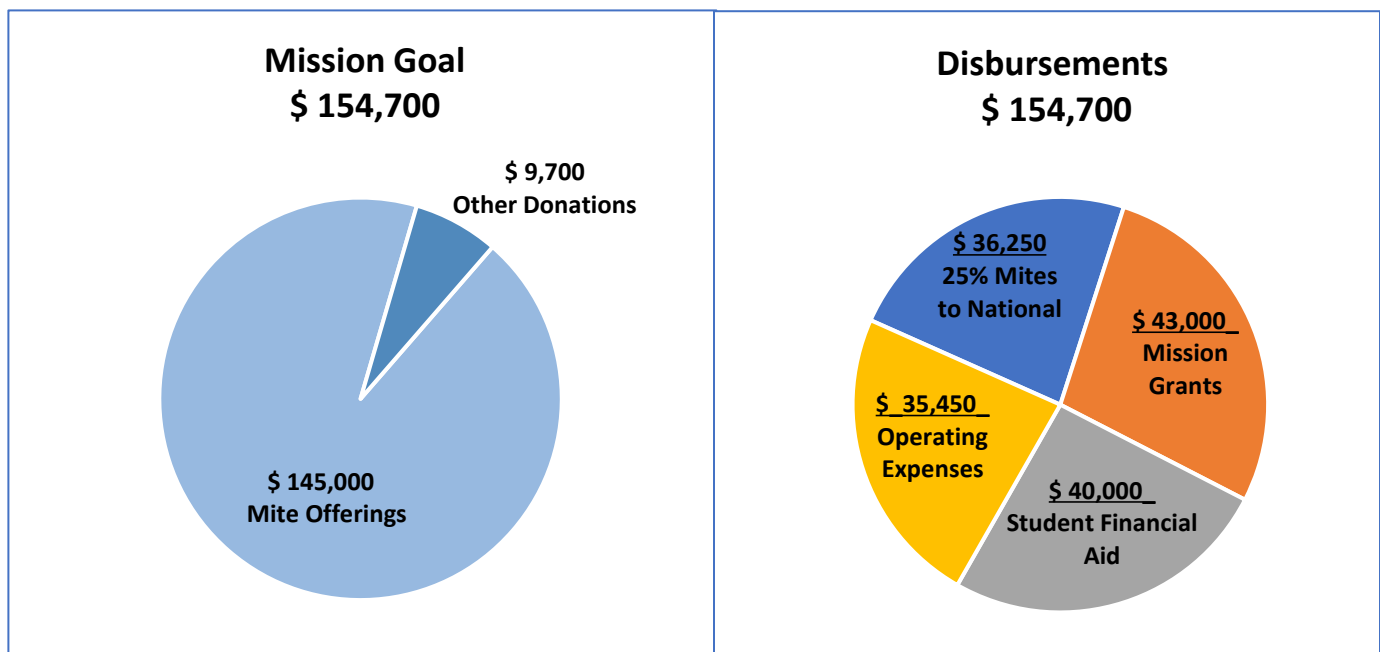
\$ 36,250 to the Lutheran Women's Missionary League as the 25% share of the anticipated \$ 145,000 Kansas District mite offering during the 2020-2022 biennium.

WHEREAS, the LWML motto "Serve the Lord with Gladness" is exemplified in the hearts and the actions of the LWML Kansas District members as they are encouraged to meet the challenge of the 2020-2022 Mission Goal; and

WHEREAS, they are encouraged to meet the challenge of the 2020-2022 Mission Goal; and

WHEREAS, they joyfully give their time, talents, and service to the Lord through prayerful giving of mite offerings and their support of the LWML Kansas District activities; therefore, be it

RESOLVED that we give all glory to the Triune God as we adopt a total **Mission Goal of \$ 154,700** for the 2020-2022 biennium and firmly trust God to meet our needs.



MISSION GRANT PROPOSALS FOR THE 2020-2022 BIENNIUM

Delegates voted for up to FIVE (5) Mission Grants

- 1. Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, IN**
Food & Clothing Co-op \$ 5,000
This request will be used to purchase perishable food items each month to be given directly to the students and their families. The co-op plays a key role in helping students feed and clothe their families during the seminary years. It operates as an actual cooperative with each family volunteering time each month.
(Submitted by Katherine Rittner, Zion Lutheran Church, Columbia City, IN)
- 2. Lutheran Heritage Foundation, Macomb, MI**
Fund translation and publishing of books \$ 5,000
This submission is for funding translation and publishing of books for a Lutheran library for Central and South America, giving LCMS missionaries and other churches in 20 countries the tools they need to evangelize and teach in the language of the people.
(Submitted by Ruth Scott, St. John's Lutheran Church, Topeka, KS)
- 3. Martin Luther Primary and Devotional Secondary School, Sierra Leone**
Development of school buildings and grounds \$ 6,000
This request will assist in the development of the school buildings/grounds as LeadaChild works with church and school leadership in Sierra Leone to develop an educational hub to advance the Gospel and quality learning opportunities in the region.
(Submitted by LeadaChild, Olathe, KS)
- 4. Rural Churches in Ministry = Trinity-Garden City, Immanuel-Lakin, and Grace-Ulysses (TIG)**
TIG Partnership \$ 4,500
This request will be used for materials, supplies, and training specific to replanting the church. Three rural churches will create a new ministry partnership to focus on revitalizing and replanting with a mission-minded pastor. These rural areas, mostly Hispanic, will be able to receive the Word and Sacrament.
(Submitted by Trinity Lutheran Church, Garden City, KS)
- 5. Topeka Lutheran School, Topeka, KS**
Updating the school library \$ 5,000
This submission would be used for purchasing new and up-to-date nonfiction and fiction selections, as well as new alternative seating in the library. The school has students from a variety of church and non-church backgrounds. Part of updating will be adding more Christian selections.
(Submitted by Emma Taylor, Topeka Lutheran School, Topeka, KS)
- 6. KansaSEED, LCMS Kansas District Deaf Ministry, Topeka, KS**
Leadership training \$ 5,000
This request is for leadership and outreach training for deaf leaders from churches who support deaf ministry. Reports indicate there are 9,100 profoundly deaf people in Kansas with the majority unchurched. This would provide training to interpreters to share their faith and extend the love of Jesus in the deaf community.
(Submitted by Sara Hale, KansaSEED)
- 7. Lutheran Indian Ministries, Haskell LIGHT, Lawrence, KS**
Provide meals, crafts, and other activities in the dorm \$ 5,000
This submission will enable Deon Prue of the ministry staff to meet and build relationships with the freshman women by providing meals, crafts, and other activities in the dorm. Deon is trained to help individuals walk through the healing journey with Jesus at their side. This core group of women can then become leaders at Haskell LIGHT.
(Submitted by Tiffany Harkins, Beautiful Savior, Olathe, KS)
- 8. Lutheran Bible Translators, Concordia, MO**
Translating Scripture for the Komba people of Ghana \$ 5,000
This request would allow pastors, leaders, men, women, and children to share and know Jesus by being able to read, hear, and speak about Him in their own language. In 2014 the Komba New Testament was published and sold out. This would make the entire Bible available to the Komba people of Ghana for the first time ever.
(Submitted by Lisa Brack, Concordia Lutheran Church, Hoisington, KS)



MISSION GRANT PROPOSALS FOR THE 2020-2022 BIENNIUM (cont.)

Delegates voted for up to FIVE (5) Mission Grants

9. Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, MO

Help fund the education costs of international students.....\$5,000

This request will help fund the educational costs of international students enrolled in Concordia Seminary's Graduate School. When these global students earn their advanced-level theological degrees and return to their home countries, they will become seminary professors and church leaders and spread God's word through many nations.

(Submitted by Tom Evans, Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, MO)

10. Apple of His Eye Mission Society, Brentwood, TN

Identify and train Israeli Jewish believers\$5,000

This submission will help train Jewish Messianic believers in Israel. It will also help develop systems and strategies for outreach and planting house fellowships, as in the days of the early church. The Apple of His Eye will be sharing the Gospel message of Jesus as their Savior with the Jewish people in Israel.

(Submitted by Debra Wilson, Risen Savior Lutheran Church, Wichita, KS)

11. Kansas District LCMS Retreat Center, Herington, KS

Purchase of Stair Lift.....\$8,550

This request is to purchase a commercial stair lift which will improve accessibility, mobility, and safety in floor-to-floor travel. The retreat center is a relaxing and peaceful atmosphere in which church workers and members from across Kansas can reconnect with God and their families.

(Submitted by Tabitha Society, Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, Herington)

12. Ministry in Mission, Jacmel, Haiti

Monthly operating costs of the Jacmel Lutheran Home \$5,000

This submission will help to provide for the staffing and daily operations of the Jacmel Lutheran Home which provides eldercare. Without family and government safety nets, the elderly are among the most vulnerable people in Haiti. Residents of Jacmel Lutheran Home are carefully screened to verify their needs.

(Submitted by Susan M. Matzke, St. Mark Lutheran, Chesterland, OH)

13. Orphan Grain Train, St. Petersburg, Russia

Health care needs of children in the orphanages \$5,000

This request is for basic daily needs such as diapers, wipes, and medical needs such as band-aids. There are 60 plus Russian Orphanages that OGT assists. The Russian Government allocates money, but the local budget only allows for approximately one diaper a day for each orphan. Money is disbursed through OGT to appointed Russian workers that run the orphanages.

(Submitted by First Lutheran Guild-LWML, Phillipsburg, KS)

14. Bethesda Lutheran Communities, Watertown, WI

Implement a Faith Resource Fund for Kansas \$4,000

This request would provide resources for 150+ people with intellectual and developmental disabilities in Kansas. The mission of Bethesda is to enhance the lives of those with disabilities with services that share the good news of Jesus Christ. The resources would include Bibles, prayer books, confirmation materials and faith assessment tools.

(Submitted by LWML/Ladies Aid, Immanuel Lutheran Church, Netawaka, KS)

15. Trinity HOPE, Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Hermitage, TN

Feed Christian school children in Haiti \$4,500

This submission is to assist Lutheran churches in Haiti in spreading the Gospel to hungry children who attend their Christian schools. By providing daily nutritious noon meals, their physical needs are more adequately met. Food can be a powerful witness of Christ's love.

(Submitted by Denise Gudlin, Mid-South LWML District)



MISSION GRANT PROPOSALS FOR THE 2020-2022 BIENNIUM (cont.)

Delegates voted for up to FIVE (5) Mission Grants

16. Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch, Minot, ND

Electronics for worship services \$3,000

This submission will partially help fund a \$15,000 chapel renovation to the Spiritual Life Center. The funds requested will purchase a new audio board, mixer, cables, wiring, speakers, and microphones for worship services. The mission of the Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch is to help at-risk children and their families succeed in the name of Christ.

(Submitted by Rebecca Gutierrez, Faith Lutheran Church, Topeka, KS)

17. Fairmount Ministries, Wichita, KS

Outreach Efforts \$6,000

This request is for curriculum including Bibles, catechisms, and Christian literature as well as funding fellowship, outreach, and community gatherings. Fairmount Coffee Company is an outreach ministry of Fairmount Ministries. Guests come in possibly seeking a hot cup of coffee and receive so much more.

(Submitted by Jennifer Eickman, Fairmount Ministries, Wichita, KS)

18. CrossOver Recovery Center, Wichita, KS

Social Enrichment Activities \$4,000

This request is to be used for activities for individuals who are homeless or living at or below the poverty line and are in recovery from drug and/or alcohol addictions. These activities will be interwoven with Biblical truths and opportunities for Risen Savior members to extend faith, hope, and mercy to the clients, tying faith and recovery together.

(Submitted by Mary Lou Rusco, Risen Savior Lutheran Church, Wichita, KS)

19. Lutheran Valley Retreat, Woodland Park, CO

Scholarship Fund and Overhead Expenses \$2,000

This submission is for the scholarship fund for Kansas residents, so that money is never a reason a person cannot attend camp, and for overhead expenses. The camp atmosphere and activities allow for the opportunity to share God's grace and glory in His creation including riding and caring for horses.

(Submitted by Katy Pauley, Trinity Lutheran Church, Garden City, KS)

Mission Grants are funded from Mite Box and other designated offerings. The grants were selected by mail-in ballot vote by the delegates for the "Virtual" Convention.

The Mission Grants are awarded throughout the 2020-2022 biennium as donations allow and in the order of the number of the votes received.



MISSION GRANTS BALLOT – SAMPLE

DELEGATES VOTED FOR UP TO FIVE (5)

1. Concordia Theological Seminary – Fort Wayne, IN (Food & Clothing Co-op): \$5,000	1. <u>87</u>
2. Lutheran Heritage Foundation – Macomb, MI (translation & publication of books): \$5,000	2. <u>32</u>
3. Martin Luther Primary and Secondary School – Sierra Leone (develop a building): \$6,000	3. <u>53</u>
4. TIG Ministry Partnership – Garden City, Lakin, & Ulysses, KS (materials & training): \$4,500	4. <u>67</u>
5. Topeka Lutheran School – Topeka, KS (update the school library): \$5,000	5. <u>63</u>
6. KansaSEED, LCMS Kansas District Deaf Ministry – Topeka, KS (leadership training): \$5,000	6. <u>66</u>
7. Lutheran Indian Ministries, Haskell LIGHT – Lawrence, KS (provide meals, crafts, activities): \$5,000	7. <u>94</u>
8. Lutheran Bible Translators – Concordia, MO (translating Scripture in Ghana): \$5,000	8. <u>79</u>
9. Concordia Seminary – St. Louis, MO (International students education costs fund): \$5,000	9. <u>47</u>
10. Apple of His Eye Mission Society – Brentwood, TN (training in Israel): \$5,000	10. <u>33</u>
11. Kansas District LCMS Retreat Center – Herington, KS (purchase of stair lift): \$8,550	11. <u>59</u>
12. Ministry in Mission – Jacmel, Haiti (monthly operating costs of the Lutheran Home): \$5,000	12. <u>46</u>
13. Orphan Grain Train – St. Petersburg, Russia (supplies for the Russian orphanages): \$5,000	13. <u>114</u>
14. Bethesda Lutheran Communities in KS – Watertown, WI (implement a Resource Fund): \$4,000	14. <u>33</u>
15. Trinity HOPE, Emmanuel Lutheran Church – Hermitage, TN (feed school children): \$4,500	15. <u>42</u>
16. Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch – Minot, ND (electronics for worship services): \$3,000	16. <u>30</u>
17. Fairmount Ministries – Wichita, KS (outreach efforts and curriculum): \$6,000	17. <u>52</u>
18. CrossOver Recovery Center – Wichita, KS (social enrichment activities): \$4,000	18. <u>55</u>
19. Lutheran Valley Retreat – Woodland Park, CO (Scholarship Fund & expenses): \$2,000	19. <u>56</u>

LWML Kansas District

2020-2022 Mission Grants Balloting Results

<u>Proposal</u>	<u># of Votes</u>	<u>Project #</u>	
1. Concordia Theological Seminary – Fort Wayne, IN	<u>87</u>	<u>3</u>	\$5,000
2. Lutheran Heritage Foundation – Macomb, MI	<u>32</u>	<u>18</u>	\$5,000
3. Martin Luther Schools – Sierra Leone, Africa	<u>53</u>	<u>10</u>	\$6,000
4. TIG Ministry Partnership – Garden City, Lakin, & Ulysses, KS	<u>67</u>	<u>5</u>	\$4,500
5. Topeka Lutheran School – Topeka, KS	<u>63</u>	<u>7</u>	\$5,000
6. KansaSEED, LCMS Kansas District Deaf Ministry, Topeka, KS	<u>66</u>	<u>6</u>	\$5,000
7. Lutheran Indian Ministries, Haskell Light – Lawrence, KS	<u>94</u>	<u>2</u>	\$5,000
8. Lutheran Bible Translators – Concordia, MO	<u>79</u>	<u>4</u>	\$5,000
9. Concordia Seminary – St. Louis, MO	<u>47</u>	<u>12</u>	\$5,000
10. Apple of His Eye Mission Society – Brentwood, TN	<u>33</u>	<u>16</u>	\$5,000
11. Kansas District LCMS Retreat Center – Herington, KS	<u>59</u>	<u>8</u>	\$8,550
Partial Funding of \$8,500			
12. Ministry in Mission – Jacmel, Haiti	<u>46</u>	<u>13</u>	\$5,000
13. Orphan Grain Train – St. Petersburg, Russia	<u>114</u>	<u>1</u>	\$5,000
14. Bethesda Lutheran Communities in Kansas	<u>33</u>	<u>17</u>	\$4,000
15. Trinity HOPE, Emmanuel Lutheran Church – Hermitage, TN	<u>42</u>	<u>14</u>	\$4,500
16. Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch – Minot, ND	<u>30</u>	<u>19</u>	\$3,000
17. Fairmount Ministries – Wichita, KS	<u>52</u>	<u>11</u>	\$6,000
18. CrossOver Recovery Center – Wichita, KS	<u>55</u>	<u>9</u>	\$4,000
19. Lutheran Valley Retreat – Woodland Park, CO	<u>36</u>	<u>15</u>	\$2,000

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Let us fix our eyes on Jesus ... (Hebrews 12:2)



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GOD'S GRACIOUS GIFT FUND APPLICATIONS

\$13,363 available funding

Delegates voted for up to FIVE (5) GGGF Grants

- 1. Zion Lutheran Ladies Aid, Offerle, KS: Quilt Ministry \$500**
This request is for purchasing sewing materials for quilts and for sewing machine purchase and repair. This quilt ministry shares the Gospel when the recipients see that these quilts are given freely from those who love Jesus.
(Submitted by Ladies Aid, Zion Lutheran Church, Offerle, KS)
- 2. Trinity Lutheran Church, Garden City, KS: Portable Microphones \$4,000**
This submission is for the purchase of wireless, portable microphones for the church sound system. These will be used to enhance the outreach to the community onsite as well as offsite.
(Submitted by Trinity Lutheran LWML, Garden City, KS)
- 3. Mwadui Lutheran School, Mwadui, Shinyanga, Tanzania: Africa Completion of the school clinic \$5,300**
This request is to finish construction of a medical clinic at the school (where conditions such as malaria are treated) which prepares pastors, teachers, and others with Christ-centered Lutheran education.
(Submitted by Rev. Dr. Michael Bingenheimer, Ascension Lutheran Church, Wichita, KS)
- 4. St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Humboldt, KS: Purchase Supplies for Sensory Saturday Events \$750**
This request is to purchase supplies for the Sensory Saturday events. These events connect children and their families in the community with Jesus in ways that involve play. For children with sensory issues, there will be a quiet area with Bible story books if they become over-stimulated.
(Submitted by St. Peter's Lutheran Church LWML, Humboldt, KS)
- 5. Immanuel Lutheran, Ellsworth, KS: Comfort Dog Ministry \$750**
This submission is to purchase 90 "plush puppies" with the comfort dog's name on the bandana. These puppies will be distributed when visiting nursing homes, schools, first responders, and those affected by disaster. This project will share the love of Jesus through personal visits and shared conversations of comfort.
(Submitted by Carol Kratzer, Immanuel Lutheran Church, Ellsworth, KS)
- 6. Christ Lutheran Church, Elkhart, KS: Bathroom Remodel \$4,000**
This request is to purchase materials to convert two small bathrooms into one handicap bathroom. This would help to meet the physical needs of the aging population.
(Submitted by Linda Harlow, Christ Lutheran Church, Elkhart, KS)
- 7. The Legacy of Herington, Herington, KS: Purchase Lutheran Service Books \$1,300**
This submission is for the purchase of 50 LSB Pew Edition to be used at a satellite worship site. The Legacy is an assisted living and nursing facility. Services are held weekly for gathering in Word and Sacrament.
(Submitted by Tabitha Society, Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, Herington, KS)
- 8. Immanuel Lutheran Early Childhood Center, Junction City, KS: Playground Improvement \$5,000**
This request is to make improvements in the playground to solve the current drainage problems. New programs such as "Play and Pray" are in the making to bring families together for a brief devotional and play time.
(Submitted by Amber Crocker, Immanuel Lutheran Church, Junction City, KS)
- 9. Flint Hills Lutherans for Life, Manhattan, KS: Outreach Material \$1,000**
This request is to fund informational and outreach materials and speaker fees to educate the public on issues that affirm life according to God's Word.
(Submitted by Mt. Calvary LWML, Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church, Wamego, KS)
- 10. International Friendship Center, Wichita, KS: Sewing Machines \$1,500**
This submission is for the purchase of sewing machines and storage for a sewing class. Church volunteers help individuals new to the USA build skills which enable them to support themselves and their families.
(Submitted by Lynette Bosch, International Friendship Center, Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Wichita, KS)
- 11. God's Little Saints Preschool, Atwood, KS: Scholarships \$1,000**
This submission is for scholarships for children who might need financial help to be able to attend the preschool to learn about Jesus.
(Submitted by LWML Redeemer Evangelical Lutheran Church, Atwood, KS)



GOD'S GRACIOUS GIFT FUND APPLICATIONS (cont.)

\$13,363 available funding

Delegates voted for up to FIVE (5) GGGF Grants

- 12. Women of the Pearl, Uganda, Africa: Hygiene Kits and Education \$3,000**
This request is to provide Sanitary Pad Kits to the women of Uganda. Volunteers deliver the kits and teach the women how to make the pads as well as providing hygiene, AIDS, and STD education.
(Submitted by Karen Morrison, Risen Savior Lutheran Church, Wichita, KS)
- 13. Fairmount Ministries, Wichita, KS: Spring Break Mission Trip \$2,000**
This submission is to partially fund student missionaries and other travel expenses to build homes for local families in Puerto Penasco, Mexico.
(Submitted by Jennifer Eickman, Fairmount Ministries, Wichita, KS)
- 14. Orphan Grain Train (OGT) Relief Center, rural Herington, KS: Transportation of Shipping Container \$2,000**
This request is to assist in covering the expense of transporting a container to the warehouse at St. John Lutheran Church. With a container on site, boxes can be stored without need for extra transfers. Once the container is full, OGT will pick up the container and transport it to the Norfolk warehouse.
(Submitted by Ladies Society, St. John's Lutheran Church, Herington, KS)
- 15. Immanuel Lutheran Church Food Pantry, Kansas City, KS: Food \$1,600**
This submission is to purchase one month of food from Harvesters Food Bank for Immanuel's food pantry. The food pantry is an outreach to the inner city with a high concentration of Hispanic families.
(Submitted by Laura Hunter and Susan Parrish of Hope Lutheran, Shawnee and Bethany Lutheran, Overland Park, KS)
- 16. Lutheran Valley Retreat, Woodland Park, CO: Dishwasher \$3,500**
This request is for the final amount needed to purchase a new commercial dishwasher. The staff at LVR are always eager to share the Gospel with the campers.
(Submitted by Katy Pauley, Trinity, Garden City, KS)
- 17. Prayer Shawl Ministry, Ascension Lutheran, Pratt, KS: Prayer Shawl Supplies \$500**
This request is for purchasing yarn, needles, etc. to knit or crochet prayer shawls. These shawls are given to church or Pratt community members in time of illness, stress, or grief.
(Submitted by WinGS LWML, Ascension Lutheran Church, Pratt, KS)

God's Gracious Gift Fund (GGGF) is supported by Thrivent Choice dollars, and from memorials, honorariums, and other gifts such as the 2018 Day of Prayer Offering.

The recipients were selected by mail-in ballot vote by the delegates for the "Virtual" Convention.

The GGGF Grants are disbursed to the recipients immediately following each convention.



GOD'S GRACIOUS GIFT FUND BALLOT – SAMPLE

(\$13,363 AVAILABLE FUNDING)

DELEGATES VOTED FOR UP TO FIVE (5)

1. Zion Lutheran Ladies Aid – Offerle, KS (quilt ministry): \$500	1. ___37
2. Trinity Lutheran Church – Garden City, KS (portable microphones): \$4,000	2. ___24
3. Mwadui Lutheran School Clinic – Tanzania, Africa (completion of the school clinic): \$5,300	3. ___117
4. St. Peter's Lutheran Church – Humboldt, KS (supplies for the Sensory Events): \$750	4. ___36
5. Immanuel Lutheran Comfort Dog Ministry – Ellsworth, KS (purchase "plush puppies"): \$750	5. ___79
6. Christ Lutheran Church – Elkhart, KS (bathroom remodel): \$4,000	6. ___42
7. The Legacy of Herington – Herington, KS (purchase hymnals): \$1,300	7. ___35
8. Immanuel Lutheran Early Childhood Center – Junction City, KS (playground improvement): \$5,000	8. ___53
9. Flint Hills Lutherans for Life – Manhattan, KS (outreach material): \$1,000	9. ___67
10. International Friendship Center – Wichita, KS (sewing machines): \$1,500	10. ___77
11. God's Little Saints Preschool scholarships – Atwood, KS (preschool scholarships): \$1,000	11. ___65
12. Women of the Pearl – Uganda, Africa (hygiene kits & education): \$3,000	12. ___121
13. Fairmount Ministries – Wichita, KS (Spring Break mission trip): \$2,000	13. ___33
14. Orphan Grain Train Relief Center – Herington, KS (transportation of shipping container): \$2,000	14. ___123
15. Immanuel Lutheran Church – Kansas City, KS (Food Pantry): \$1,600	15. ___98
16. Lutheran Valley Retreat – Woodland Park, CO (purchase a dishwasher): \$3,500	16. ___33
17. Prayer Shawl Ministry, Ascension Lutheran – Pratt, KS (prayer shawl supplies): \$500	17. ___38

LWML Kansas District

2020-2022 God's Gracious Gift Fund Balloting Results

<u>Proposal</u>	<u># of Votes</u>	<u>Project #</u>	
1. Zion Lutheran Ladies Aid – Offerle, KS	___37___	___12___	\$ 500
2. Trinity Lutheran Church – Garden City, KS	___24___	___17___	\$ 4,000
3. Mwadui Lutheran School – Tanzania, Africa	___117___	___3___	\$ 5,300
4. St. Peter's Lutheran Church – Humboldt, KS	___36___	___13___	\$ 750
5. Immanuel Lutheran Comfort Dog Ministry – Ellsworth, KS	___79___	___5___	\$ 750
6. Christ Lutheran Church – Elkhart, KS	___42___	___10___	\$ 4,000
7. The Legacy of Herington – Herington, KS	___35___	___14___	\$ 1,300
8. Immanuel Lutheran Early Childhood Center – Junction City, KS	___53___	___9___	\$ 5,000
9. Flint Hills Lutherans for Life – Manhattan, KS	___67___	___7___	\$ 1,000
10. International Friendship Center – Wichita, KS	___77___	___6___	\$ 1,500
Partial Funding of \$ 713			
11. God's Little Saints Preschool – Atwood, KS	___65___	___8___	\$ 1,000
12. Women of the Pearl – Uganda, Africa	___121___	___2___	\$ 3,000
13. Fairmount Ministries – Wichita, KS	___33___	___15___	\$ 2,000
14. Orphan Grain Train Relief Center – Herington, KS	___123___	___1___	\$ 2,000
15. Immanuel Lutheran Church – Kansas City, KS	___98___	___4___	\$ 1,600
16. Lutheran Valley Retreat – Woodland Park, CO	___33___	___16___	\$ 3,500
17. Prayer Shawl Ministry, Ascension Lutheran – Pratt, KS	___38___	___11___	\$ 500



INSTALLATION OF DISTRICT OFFICERS

(Pastor asks the newly elected district officers to come forward, join hands, and form a small circle. Then he calls for the outgoing and remaining officers to join hands and form a larger circle around the newly elected officers.)

PASTOR (SPEAKING TO THE NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS): Dear sisters in Christ Jesus, the Lord has called you for special service in His kingdom through your work with the LWML Kansas District. By coming forward, you have demonstrated your willingness to assume the duties of your respective offices. I now ask you, are you aware of the responsibilities of your position and are you willing to pledge yourselves to perform the tasks set before you? And, whatever you do for the LWML District, will you do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to the Father? If so then answer, “Yes, with the help of God.”

NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS: Yes, with the help of God.

PASTOR: Having stated your intentions to perform the tasks required of you, ... I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to one hope when you were called—one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and father of all who is over all and through all and in all. But to each one (of you) grace has been given as Christ apportioned it (Ephesians 4:1-7 NIV).

PASTOR: Now will you step back and join the circle of sisters who have served before you, some of whom will remain to share in your work for LWML and others who will leave this circle to serve the Lord in other capacities.

PASTOR: Dear sisters, you stand on holy ground before the Lord. You have been or will be serving Him in the LWML Kansas District. We thank those of you who will be leaving this special circle for all that you have done to further God’s kingdom within the District. Our prayers will continue to go with you in whatever direction the Lord leads you.

PASTOR (As he calls each of the outgoing officers by name, she steps back and the gap in the circle is closed. When the outgoing officers stand outside the circle, the Pastor continues with a blessing for them.): Our love and thanks to all of you in Christ Jesus. Go in peace to serve the Lord. Amen. (After the blessings, the outgoing officers return to their seats.)

PASTOR: Now we have a different circle of friends and co-workers for God’s kingdom in the LWML Kansas District. The circle has not been broken but strengthened by our common love for Jesus and desire to share His story and His love. We do this in service for Him and it becomes our unity of purpose. Remembering that He is always with us to guide us, our circle will become stronger knowing that Christ is its center.

PASTOR (SPEAKING TO CONVENTION BODY): Dear sisters in Christ, having heard the promises of your duly elected officers to serve with the help of God, do you intend to hold them in high regard and encourage them in their service? Will you lift up your officers in prayer, offering them your love, cooperation, and assistance? Will you let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts since as members of one body you were called in peace to serve the Lord? If so, then answer, “We will.”

CONVENTION DELEGATES AND GUESTS: We will.

PASTOR (SPEAKING TO THE ASSEMBLY): Having given your pledge to love, respect, and pray for your leaders, now please join hands for prayer.

PASTOR: Holy Father, You have given different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit; different kinds of service, but the same Lord. We thank You for calling each of us to be a vital part of the body of Christ. Help us to work together in love and eagerly search out ways to share Your love with a world that is lost. Now in fervent gratitude for Your dying love and blood bought gift of redemption, we renew our dedication to You, by pledging: our willing service wherever and whenever You have need of us; our hands to work for Your kingdom; our feet to go on Your errands; our voices to sing Your praises; our lips to proclaim Your redeeming love; our mites to extend Your kingdom; our will to do Your will; and our service to bring the lost and erring into eternal fellowship with You.

PASTOR (SPEAKING TO THE NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS): May the grace of God be with you as you serve the Lord with gladness. Amen.



Lutheran Women's Missionary League Kansas District

REPORTS

Let us fix
our *eyes* on

Jesus

the **author** and **perfecter** of our faith,
who for the **joy** set before Him **endured the cross,**
SCORNING ITS **SHAME**

and sat down
at the *right*
hand of the
throne of
G O D.

Hebrews 12:2



2018-2020 LWML KANSAS DISTRICT PERSONNEL

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE and PASTORAL COUNSELORS:

President	Brenda Piester	VP of Special Focus Ministries	Jill Lowe
VP of Caring Service	Laura Hunter	Recording Secretary	Kathryn Richard
VP of Christian Life	Allison Lehmann	Treasurer	Carolyn Fishburn
VP of Communication	Shelly Keller	Financial Secretary	Ella Schempp
VP of Gospel Outreach	Janice Cundiff	Meeting Manager	Gloria Raab
VP of Organizational Resources		Senior Counselor	Rev. Robert Grimm
and Parliamentarian	Elaine Engelman	Junior Counselor	Rev. Dr. Rocco Mallardi

ZONE PRESIDENTS:

Herington	Donna Ascher	Northeast	Cindy Manche
Hutchinson	Elise Lorenz-Cleary	Northwest	Betty Kruse
KC CrossRoads	Chyleen Pausick	Southeast	Kathy McGowen
Lincoln	Beverly Wiese	Southwest	Bernie Reetz
Linn	Arlyce Klipp	Topeka	LaJean Rinker
Manhattan	Carolyn Stutzman	Wichita	Mary Dohl

COMMITTEES AND SPECIAL APPOINTED PERSONNEL:

Caring Service Committee:

Betty Amey, Chairman
Sherry Fick, Kathy Heiniger
Fonda Lawrence, Carol Nix

Christian Life Committee:

Tiffany Harkins, Chairman
Sara Deepe, Trish Geske,
Judy Kolterman, Nancy Taylor

Communication Committee:

Marj Aufdemberge, Chairman and
Quarterly Distribution Manager
Ramie Schulteis, Social Media Manager
Michelle Domsch, *Sonshine* Editor
Shawna Spiehs (2018-2019), Tech Coordinator
Sherry Meier, District Directory Manager
Kathie Thurman, LWML Store Manager
and "Church Workers in Mission"
Karl Peschel, Webmaster

Gospel Outreach Committee:

Maria Keil, Mission Grants, Chairman
Jolene Stackhouse, Mission Grants
Lisa Brack, Financial Aid, Chairman
Mary Dohl, Financial Aid

Organizational Resources Committee:

Christine McCombs, Chairman
Kirsten Hastings, JoAnn Meyer,
Karen Morrison

Special Focus Ministries Committee:

Jill Kruse, Chairman
Elise Lorenz-Cleary, Debbie Lehman,
Jeanie Zeller

Archivist-Historians:

Esther Ideker, Chairman
Amanda Engelman, Marie Roth

Endowment Research Committee:

Eden Keefe, Chairman
Kim Burdett, Co-Chairman

Heart to Heart Sisters District Leader:

Sherri Rose

Prayer Mail Coordinator:

Velma Bass

LWR Pickup Coordinator:

Karen Morrison

Short-Term Missions Coordinator:

Ann Jedele

2020 Convention Committee:

Cathi Temple, Topeka Zone; Chair.
Debbie Jenne, Herington Zone
Judy Ruckman, Lincoln Zone

Nominating Committee:

Beverly Wiese, Chairman; Lincoln Zone
Debbie Jenne, Herington Zone
Betty Kruse, Northwest Zone
Mary Jo Schultz, Southwest Zone
Mary Dohl, Wichita Zone
Karen Morrison, Consultant

2019 Bus to Mobile, AL:

Donna Burton, Chair.





REPORT TO THE LWML CONVENTION OF ACTIVITIES IN THE 2018-2020 BIENNIUM

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Activities of Vice President of Caring Service to the Primary Focus Areas:

Nurturing Faith in Christ

- Completed many Bible studies, prayers, and songs with the LWML ladies of the local, zone, district, and national levels.

Making our Mission Meaningful

- Completed a short-term eyeglass mission trip with MOST Ministries to Guatemala in June of 2018.

Sharing Encouragement

- Encouraged attendees when representing the district at zone events/rallies.

Meetings Attended:

- Executive Committee Meeting in Salina – February 7 - 8, 2020
- 2020 Convention Planning Meeting in Topeka – January 18, 2020
- Executive Committee Meeting in Salina – November 1, 2019
- Northeast Zone Rally in Netawaka – October 12, 2019
- 2020 Convention Planning Meeting in Abilene – September 14, 2019
- Kansas Assembly of Leaders in Wichita – August 3, 2019
- Board of Directors Meeting in Wichita – August 2, 2019
- Executive Committee Meeting in Wichita – August 1, 2019
- Executive Committee Meeting in Wichita – May 31 – June 1, 2019
- 2020 Convention Planning Meeting in Ellsworth – May 4, 2019
- Executive Committee Meeting in Salina – March 1-2, 2019
- Executive Committee Meeting in Wichita – November 30 – December 1, 2018
- 2022 Convention Planning Meeting in KC – October 26, 2018
- Herington Zone Rally in Herington – October 13, 2018
- 2020 Convention Planning Meeting in Topeka – September 22, 2018
- Hutchinson Convention Wrap-Up Meeting in Hutchinson – May 19, 2018
- Executive Committee Meeting in Herington – May 4 – 5, 2018

Favorite Bible Verse:

*But now thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel:
"Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine" (Isaiah 43:1).*





Lutheran Women's Missionary League Kansas District

Vice President of Christian Life
Allison Lehmann

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Activities of Vice President of Christian Life to the Primary Focus Areas:

Nurturing Faith in Christ

- Attended regular worship services on Sundays and Sound Words Academy/midweek services at St. John's, Topeka
- Attended weekly catechesis classes with son
- Taught preschool Sunday School
- Participated in Bible study with Christian Life Committee and encouraged participation
- Participated in various Bible studies with EC, spouse, and individual
- Planning to lead Bible Study sampler at 2020 Convention
- Family daily devotions with Portals of Prayer and LWML Daily Mustard Seed Devotions

Making Our Faith Meaningful

- Facilitated planning of the 2019 Christian Life Retreat, Salina
- Assisted with planning of Prayer Walks with Christian Life Committee for 2018 KAOL, 2019 KAOL/BOD and 2020 Convention
- Participated in local, zone and district events
- Communication with and encouragement to Christian Life Committee members

Sharing Encouragement

- Church youth group chaperone to Higher Things Conference, Concordia University, Mequon, WI, July 2019
- Encouragement to women to participate in local, zone and district LWML events
- Encouragement to recent YWR's in local zone

Meetings Attended:

- Christian Life committee planning meetings, including regular email correspondence, site visit to Christian Life Retreat Hotel
- KS District LWML EC and BOD meetings
- LWML Assembly of Leaders, St Louis, MO November 7-10, 2018
- Shared information as EC representative at Linn Zone fall event 2018, Topeka Zone spring event 2020
- Christian Life Retreat, Salina 2019
- Holy Cross Women's Retreat, Wichita 2020
- Attended two 2020 Convention planning meetings
- Attended local quarterly and zone events

Favorite Bible Verse:

*Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding.
In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths (Proverbs 3:5-6).*





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Vice President of Communication
Shelly Keller

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Activities of the Vice President of Communication to the Primary Focus Areas

Nurturing Faith in Christ

- Attended regular worship services at home church, Bethlehem, Sylvan Grove
- Served regularly as Bethlehem organist, choir director, and Altar Guild member
- Attended Sunday morning adult Bible classes
- Taught the elementary age Sunday School class
- Directed the Bethlehem children's Christmas Eve programs
- Participated in Bible studies monthly at LWML society meetings
- Participated in Bible study at EC meetings
- Helped with the Bethlehem Bible Walk at Halloween

Making Our Faith Meaningful

- Composed the music and lyrics for the 2020 Convention copyrighted theme song "Be Thou My Vision"
- Worked with the district Webmaster in keeping the LWML Kansas District website up to date
- Attended the national LWML convention in June 2019 in Mobile, AL (bus trip)
- Communicated with the Communication Committee members regarding their individual duties
- Participated in zone events, attended zone BOD meetings, and served as Zone Christian Life chairman
- Participated in society events, serving as society Vice President, and co-chair of the annual bazaar
- Attended KAOL in Salina in July 2018 and in Wichita in August 2019
- Attended the Kansas District Christian Life Retreat in Salina in November 2019
- Ordered religious greeting cards to have available for sale at the LWML store at Kansas District Events

Sharing Encouragement

- Distributed Church Workers in Mission gift bags to pastors new to the LCMS Kansas District
- Wrote articles for *The Kansas Sonshine* newsletter
- Presented the LWML Kansas District Mission Grant #2 for \$5,000 to the Concordia Seminary Food Bank in St. Louis
- Presented the LWML Kansas District Mission Grant #9 for \$4,000 to the Lutheran Heritage Foundation representative, Rev. Gene Holtorf, at the Linn Zone Spring Rally
- Assisted the convention Music Chairman with all aspects of her music preparations for the convention
- Offered prayers for the 2020 convention and for those effected by the COVID-19 pandemic

Meetings Attended:

- Attended EC meetings: 4-19-18 Hutchinson; 5-5-18 Herington; 7-6-18 Salina; 12-1-18 Wichita; 3-2-19 Salina; 6-1-19 Wichita; 8-2-19 Wichita; 11-1-19 Salina; 2-8-20 Salina
- Attended the April 2018 District Convention in Hutchinson
- Attended the District Transition meeting 5-19-18 in Hutchinson
- Attended the 2020 Topeka District Convention planning meetings: 9-22-18 Topeka; 5-4-19 Ellsworth; 9-14-19 Abilene; 1-18-20 Topeka
- Represented the EC at the Lincoln Zone Fall Workshop in Plainville on 10-28-18
- Represented the EC at the SW Zone Spring Rally in Offerle on 4-6-19
- Represented the EC at the Lincoln Zone Fall Workshop in Hunter on 10-13-19
- Represented the EC at the Hutchinson Zone Fall Workshop in Canton on 10-19-19
- Represented the EC at the Linn Zone Spring Rally in rural Linn on 3-2-20

Favorite Bible Verse: *I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me* (Philippians 4:13).





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EC Position VP of Gospel Outreach
Janice Cundiff

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Activities of the VP of Gospel Outreach to the Primary Focus Areas:

Nurturing Faith in Christ

- Daily personal devotions using Mustard Seed devotions and Portals of Prayer
- Attendance in Sunday worship
- Attended the 2018 LWML Convention
- Lesson reader for the Sunday worship service
- Participated in monthly Bible studies at LWML society meetings

Making Our Faith Meaningful

- Serve as LWML society president
- Represented the Executive Committee at zone rallies for the NW and SW Zones
- Attended District Executive Committee Meetings
- Attended the 2019 National Convention in Mobile, AL
- Encourage women in my congregation to attend LWML activities, including rallies and quilt making for Lutheran World Relief
- Help tie quilts for Lutheran World Relief
- Contributed to ingatherings

Sharing Encouragement

- Encourage others to spread the Gospel in whatever way they can
- Prayed for LWML's mission and special request needs
- Encouraged women to use the resources of the LWML web sites and in The Sonshine
- Member of my church's Board of Evangelism

Meetings Attended:

- 2018 Convention in Hutchinson
- Gospel Outreach Transition meeting June 23, 2018 in Garden City
- KAOL April 5,6,7, 2018 in Salina
- NW Zone Fall Rally October 13, 2018 in Colby
- SW Zone Fall Rally October 27, 2018 in Meade
- District Executive Meeting March 1-2, 2019 in Salina
- NW Zone/Lincoln Zone Rally March 9, 2019 in Hays
- Convention Planning Meeting in Ellsworth May 4, 2019
- District Executive Meeting May 31-June 1, 2019 in Wichita
- National convention June 20-23, 2019 in Mobile, AL
- KAOL August 1-3, 2019 in Wichita
- Gospel Outreach Committee meeting September 7, 2019 in Hays
- NW Zone Fall Rally October 12, 2019 in Hill City
- District Executive Meeting February 8-9, 2020 in Salina
- NW Zone Spring Mission Day March 28, 2020 in Kensington

Favorite Bible Verse:

Cast all your care upon Him, because He cares for you (1 Peter 5:6).





Lutheran Women's Missionary League Kansas District

Vice President of Organizational Resources
Elaine Engelman

REPORT TO THE LWML CONVENTION OF ACTIVITIES IN THE 2018-2020 BIENNIUM

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Activities of Vice President of Organization Resources to the Primary Focus Areas:

Nurturing Faith in Christ

- Local Bible study participant and leader
- Regular local church attendance
- Attended Donna Pyle retreat at Holy Cross, Wichita in January 2019
- Attended Deb Burma retreat at Immanuel, Hepler in March 2019
- Attended Christian Life Retreat in Salina, November 2019
- Attended Holy Cross Women's Retreat with Schawn Starfeldt, January 2020

Making Our Faith Meaningful

- Local society president
- Southeast Zone President until March 2019; currently Zone Gospel Outreach chairman
- Sunday School teacher
- Midweek music teacher
- Vacation Bible School storyteller (2018) and Director (2019)
- Substitute teacher for SONshine Preschool at Zion Lutheran Church, Chanute
- Partnered with the local after school program to provide Easter baskets for the children

Sharing Encouragement

- Visit an inmate at the Topeka Correctional Facility regularly
- Finished visiting all societies in the zone as Zone President
- Took valentine bags and May baskets to shut-ins of our congregation with the local circle
- Attended celebration service at Grace-lola for Pastor Kristalyn's 30 years in public ministry
- Answered emails and telephone calls regarding zone bylaws
- Helped local ladies make Valentine and Easter cards for area shut-ins

Meetings Attended:

- Assembly of Leaders "Follow the Leader" in St. Louis, November 2018
- Executive Committee meetings when called (except 5/30-6/1, 2019)
- 2020 convention planning meetings (except 3/4/2019)
- LWML convention in Mobile, Alabama (June 2019)
- Representative for the District President at several zone events
- Several call committee meetings for Zion Lutheran Church, Chanute

Favorite Bible Verse:

*The Lord will always lead you. He will satisfy your needs in dry lands and give strength to your bones.
You will be like a garden that has much water, like a spring that never runs dry (Isaiah 58:11).*





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VP of Special Focus Ministries

Jill Lowe

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Activities of Vice President of Special Focus Ministries to the Primary Focus Areas:

Nurturing Faith in Christ

- Personal daily devotions using *Treasury of Daily Prayer* and *Psalm by Psalm*
- Grow in faith and knowledge preparing for daily Religion lessons in 5/6 grade class

Making Our Faith Meaningful

- Help the Young Women Representatives at the 2020 convention learn more about LWML and its mission
- Lead "Taking It to the Streets" presentation for YWRs and First-timers at convention, sharing how LWML is organized and the resources LWML provides
- Joy in planning and preparing our church's annual Easter Egg Hunt, always focusing on the resurrection!
- Help weekly in Preschool Sunday School class
- Lead children through VBS activities, sharing the Gospel with unchurched children in our community

Sharing Encouragement

- Encourage YWRs to this convention to become or continue to be involved in their local and zone LWML groups
- Encourage the Special Focus Ministries committee to continue to be involved in LWML and share their wonderful gifts

Meetings Attended:

- Zone - Board of Directors meetings, zone events
- District - EC and Board of Directors meetings, KAOL, Christian Life Retreat, Convention Planning Meetings
- National - 2019 Convention in Mobile

Favorite Bible Verse:

*I am the Light of the World.
Whoever follows Me will not walk in darkness,
but will have the light of life (John 8:12).*





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Activities of Recording Secretary to the Primary Focus Areas:

Nurturing Faith in Christ

- Begin day with time for personal daily devotions and Bible study, including on-line devotions, *Portals of Prayer* and Lutheran Hour Ministries Advent and Lenten devotions
- Attend worship regularly
- Led Bible studies for local society meetings
- Attended 2019 national convention and rode the "Kansas" bus with other Kansas LWML members. Was a great opportunity to get to know a number of new people and renew friendships with others.
- Participated in KAOL Leadership meeting; co-presented a session with Gloria Raab.
- Leading Bible study sampler at 2020 district convention.

Making Our Faith Meaningful

- Prepare minutes of district executive committee (EC) and board of directors' meetings
- Attended Southeast Zone events and represented the district EC at several
- Serve as secretary/reporter for our local society
- Attend and coordinate monthly quilt tying work days in our local congregation for Lutheran World Relief (LWR) and local agencies; sew many of the quilt tops and bind quilts at home; collect items for and package baby care kits and school kits for LWR, utilizing Thrivent Action Teams
- Support "Stamps for Missions" project by collecting stamps personally, as well as from family, friends, and congregation members
- Coordinate our congregation's annual rummage sale and "community give-away"
- Serve as treasurer of our congregation's Church Council and chair of Altar Guild

Sharing Encouragement

- Encourage women in our congregation to be involved with LWML and its activities at all levels (society, zone, district)
- Assist with congregation's funeral dinners—planning, preparing, serving
- Send cards and notes of encouragement for illnesses, deaths, and "just because"

Meetings Attended:

- Zone—zone events
- District—EC and Board of Directors meetings, KAOL, Christian Life Retreat
- National—2019 convention in Mobile

Favorite Bible Verse:

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." (Jeremiah 29:11)





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Activities of the Treasurer to the Primary Focus Areas:

Nurturing Faith in Christ

- Worshiped with my local congregation regularly
- Participated in Sunday morning Bible class regularly
- Participated in Wednesday evening Bible study regularly
- Attended District Christian Life Retreat
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Making Our Faith Meaningful

- Reconciled monthly treasurer's reports
- Updated the district's mission goal worksheet
- Processed and paid expense vouchers as approved by the President
- Served on district budget committee
- Served as local Christian Life chairman and assisted in planning the monthly programs
- Coordinated Wednesday evening meals at church
- Prepared weekly children's pew bags at church

Sharing Encouragement

- Provided information to those asking questions about district financial records
- Provided information to a zone to help update their checking account after they elected a new treasurer
- Participated in local and zone events

Meetings Attended:

- May 4-5, 2018 Executive Committee
- Nov. 30-Dec. 1, 2018 Executive Committee
- March 1-2, 2019 Executive Committee
- May 31-June 1, 2019 Executive Committee
- Aug. 1-2, 2019 Executive Committee
- Nov. 1, 2019 Executive Committee
- Feb. 7-8, 2020 Executive Committee
- Aug. 2, 2019 Board of Directors
- Aug. 3, 2019 Kansas Assembly of Leaders (KAOL)
- Oct. 20, 2018 Hutchinson Zone
- March 23, 2019 Hutchinson Zone
- Sept. 21, 2019 Hutchinson Zone Assembly of Leaders
- Society meetings

Favorite Bible Verse:

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. (Romans 8:28)





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Activities of Financial Secretary to the Primary Focus Areas:

Nurturing Faith in Christ

- Had Daily Bible study, devotion reading, and daily prayers
- Volunteer to help where needed in our church, school, and community
- Co-taught an Adult Sunday School class with Nancy Jankowski, Hope School Principal; "Built on the Rock" by Ted Kobler
- Participated in MOST Ministries eyeglass mission trips to Guatemala (2), Belize, and Thailand in the past four years

Making Our Faith Meaningful

- Visited schools on the two Mission trips I made to Guatemala where LWML has had an impact on the education of young children by helping to provide schools in their areas
- Assisted by LWML funded translators to help us with the language so we could share the love of Jesus
- Spoke to groups that want to know more about MOST Ministries and the mission trips
- Deposited our District mite offering check twice a month
- Supplied Mite Boxes to our Societies and LWML sisters
- Provided school supplies yearly for the LWR school kits
- Watched for sales throughout the year to donate to the MLM Christmas store and help clients choose gifts for their families
- Hosted 6 people (Pastor and Teachers) from Zacapa, Guatemala, for a few days. Holy Cross-Wichita and Beautiful Savior sponsor their ministry. They were able to share the ministry with our school children and worked the MLM Christmas store as one of their activities while visiting our area.

Sharing Encouragement

- Mentoring young women in our area to start an LWML group/society with their friends
- As Board of Education Chairman, I encourage our Principal and teaching staff and look for ways to encourage people to use their talents and abilities to share God's message
- Encourage our Society President and accepted the Recording secretary position

Meetings Attended:

- Zone meetings, EC Board Meetings, and KAOL meetings

Favorite Bible Verse:

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future" (Jeremiah 29:11).





Lutheran Women's Missionary League Kansas District

Executive Committee Position: Meeting Manager

Name: Gloria Raab

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Activities of Meeting Manager to the Primary Focus Areas:

Nurturing Faith in Christ

- Regular worship attendance
- Participation in Sunday morning and mid-week small-group Bible studies
- Family and personal Bible study and devotions
- District Christian Life Retreat and annual Women's Retreats sponsored by our local LWML

Making Our Faith Meaningful

- Orphan Grain Train warehouse volunteer
- Tie quilts for Lutheran World Relief
- Participate in various gatherings; assist with food preparation and serve funeral luncheons for our local congregation
- Coordinate arrangements for meetings of Executive Committee, KAOL, and Convention Planning

Sharing Encouragement

- Worked closely with Helms Briscoe to finalize the Double Tree by Hilton hotel contract for the 2022 District Convention to be held in Overland Park, KS
- District representative to Wichita Zone spring and fall events
- Chairman of Sarah Circle, a sub-group of our local LWML society
- Designed a "summary" sheet of LWML abbreviations and terminology for distribution to women of our congregation who are new to, or unfamiliar with, the LWML
- Church Council Secretary for our local congregation

Meetings Attended:

- July 2018 – Executive Committee meeting and KAOL, Salina
- September 2018 – Convention Planning Meeting, Topeka
- October 2018 – Convention Site Selection meeting for 2022 Convention, Overland Park
- December 2018 – Executive Committee meeting, Wichita
- February 2019 – 2022 Convention Hotel Contract Discussions, Overland Park
- March 2019 – Executive Committee meeting, Salina
- May 2019 – Convention Planning meeting, Ellsworth
- May 2019 – Executive Committee meeting, Wichita
- August 2019 – Executive Committee meeting and KAOL, Wichita
- September 2019 – Convention Planning Meeting, Abilene
- November 2019 – Executive Committee Meeting, Salina
- February 2020 – Executive Committee Meeting, Salina
- February 2020 – Convention "Final Walk-Thru," Topeka

Favorite Bible Verse:

Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand (Isaiah 41:10).





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Activities of Pastoral Counselor to the Primary Focus Areas:

Nurturing Faith in Christ

- Pray weekly for the LWML and its leaders and members
- Leading prayers at meetings as requested
- Teaching Scripture and leading devotions at LWML events

Making Our Faith Meaningful

- Writing and reviewing articles for The Kansas Sonshine
- Speaking with pastors about the zone and district levels of the LWML
- Sharing music and songs

Sharing Encouragement

- Encouraging women in their vocations, as well as in their volunteer efforts in the LWML
- Private prayer with individuals in the LWML

Meetings Attended:

- 7 Executive committee meetings
- 3 preconvention meetings
- 2 host committee meetings
- 2 Zone events
- Endowment Committee meeting
- National LWML Convention in Mobile Alabama
- Assembly of Leaders in St. Louis
- 2 KAOLs (and committee meetings there)
- LWML Retreat

Comments:

Thank you all for the opportunity to serve, share and grow with the LWML in Kansas!

Favorite Bible Verse:

Blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it (Luke 11:28).





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Making Our Faith Meaningful

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- Private prayer with individuals in the LWML

Meetings Attended:

- Executive committee meetings
- Preconvention meetings
- Zone events
- National LWML Convention in Mobile, Alabama
- Kansas Assembly of Leaders

Comments:

I have really enjoyed getting to know the Executive Committee and becoming part of the work that the LWML is doing.

Favorite Bible Verse:

Those who trust in the LORD are like Mount Zion, which cannot be moved, but abides forever. (Psalm 125:1)





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General Activities of the President

- *It is my privilege to meet, work with, and serve each of the Lutheran Women in Mission across Kansas.*
- Stayed in email and phone communication with Executive Committee, Zone Presidents, other Board of Directors members, convention delegates, and other individuals from across the District
- Helped edit and/or proof various documents for officers and committee members
- Developed the PowerPoint and BOD Report templates for the 2019 Kansas Assembly of Leaders and the 2020 Convention
- Communicated with potential speakers for the convention and *again* to reschedule
- Encouraged LWML Kansas leaders in their roles and bounced ideas when questions or situations arose

Activities of President to the Primary Focus Areas:

Nurturing Faith in Christ

- Presented devotions several times for the WinGS LWML Society, Ascension Lutheran Church – Pratt
- Presented devotions or prayers several times for the LWML EC meetings
- Serve as the Education and Family Ministry Commission Chairman, Ascension Lutheran – Pratt
 - Led FUSION Youth Bible Class on Wednesdays for 5th-6th grades, ALC – Pratt
 - Director of VBS, June 2018 and 2019, Ascension Lutheran – Pratt
 - Teach 6th grade confirmation class, Ascension Lutheran – Pratt

Making Our Faith Meaningful

- Worked with grant writers and President Lange for approving and submitting one Mission Grant proposal to the national LWML for consideration for selection for the 2019 convention; It was selected to be on the ballot, and the Lights for Christ project of Holy Cross Lutheran, Wichita, was selected by vote to be funded in the 2019-2021 biennium; *In Praise to the Lord!*
- Read daily devotions from LWML and Lutheran Church Charities and weekly devotions from Lutheran Hour Ministries
- Worked in the Leadership Development booth at the 2019 national convention
- Research and edit ongoing updates of the LWML Kansas District History Booklet started for the 2018 Convention
- Initiated the Valentine's Day Matching Challenge to support District Mission Grants through Facebook advertising
- Wrote and/or participated in several Thrivent Action Teams to purchase food, clothing, meals, and various other projects in the Pratt Community
- Serve as the Treasurer for WinGS LWML group, Ascension Lutheran—Pratt
- Am a member of the Building Committee for a remodel of the former Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Pratt for the future worship, education, and community needs for Ascension Lutheran – Pratt
- Work as grant writer and reporter for grants for Ascension Lutheran – Pratt

Sharing Encouragement

- Encourage Zone Presidents in discussion about groups/societies in their Zones
- Write personal notes or social media messages to those in need of encouragement
- Planned and led the Kansas Caucus at the 2019 LWML convention in Mobile
- Presented gift bags to the four Young Woman Representatives from Kansas
- Gave small gifts to the Kansas delegates each day of the convention



- Encourage Ascension Lutheran Church members through the Communication Commission, Website, Social Media, and serve as editor of the ALC weekly newsletter
- Mentor North Wisconsin District President, Becky Haltaufderheid
- Serve on the national LWML Growth and Development Committee with Joy Anderson, Chairman; and Lisa Asmus
- Pray for LWML Kansas District members and other LWML Sisters and their Districts

Meetings Attended:

May 2018	Transition of Officers Meeting, Herington
June 2018	Transition Meeting with VPs of Gospel Outreach Janice Cundiff and Bernie Reetz, Garden City
August 2018	Transition Meeting with Treasurers Carolyn Fishburn and Kim Burdett, Lenexa
February 2019	Worked at District Office with Archivists-Historians Ideker, Carlson, Engelman and Roth, Topeka
June 2019	Presentation by Deaconess student, Mika Patron, McPherson
June 2019	Kansas Caucus at the LWML Convention, Mobile
November 2019	Christian Life Retreat, Salina: "Fearless Women, Redefining Beauty Boldly"
July 2020	Transition with President Kim Burdett

Kansas District Executive Committee:

May 2018, Herington	July 2018, Wichita	November 2018, Wichita
March 2019, Salina	June 2019, Wichita	August 2019, Wichita
November 2019, Salina	February 2020, Salina	Online meetings throughout the biennium
March-June 2020 –Zoom Meetings to reschedule and ultimately cancel the 2020 Convention		
May-June 2020 – Zoom Meetings and emails to produce a virtual convention		

Board of Directors Meetings:

July 2018	At Kansas Assembly of Leaders, Wichita
August 2019	At Kansas Assembly of Leaders, Wichita
August 2020	Before the LWML Kansas District Convention, Topeka

Kansas District Convention Planning Meetings:

May 2018	Convention Transition Meeting (Hutchinson 2018 to Topeka 2020), Hutchinson			
September 2018	2020 Site review meeting with Convention Center Director, Topeka Capitol Plaza Hotel, Topeka			
October 2018	2022 Convention Site Selection Review in the Kansas City Metro Area			
February 2019	2022 Convention Site Selection Contract Review, DoubleTree, Overland Park			
2020 Convention Planning Meetings:	September 2018, Topeka	May 2019, Ellsworth		
	September 2019, Abilene	January 2020, Topeka	February 2020, Topeka	
March-June 2020	Countless emails, texts, and phone calls to reschedule and ultimately cancel the 2020 convention			

National LWML Meetings:

November 2018	"Follow the Leader" LWML Assembly of Leaders, St. Louis
January 2019	Board of Directors Meeting, St. Louis
June 2019	Board of Directors Meeting, Mobile
June 2019	Leader Development Seminar, Mobile
June 2019	38 th Biennial Convention of LWML, "In Praise to the Lord", Mobile
October 2019	"Inspired to Share HIS Story" Interdepartmental Meeting, St. Louis
January 2020	Presidents Assembly, St. Louis
Nov. 2019-Present	At least bi-weekly Google Hangout meetings with the Growth and Development Committee
April 2020	District Presidents' Zoom meeting the LWML President Debbie Larson

District, Zone, and Society Events Attended:

October 2018	Hutchinson Zone Fall Meeting: Christ the King Lutheran, Salina
March 2019	Hutchinson Zone Spring Meeting: Trinity Lutheran, Salina
March 2019	Linn Zone Spring Meeting: Bethlehem Lutheran, Greenleaf
March 2019	Manhattan Zone Spring Fling: Mount Calvary Lutheran, Wamego
April 2019	Herington Zone Spring Mission Day: Kansas District Retreat Center, Herington
September 2019	Manhattan Zone Fall Event: St. Luke Lutheran, Wheaton
October 2019	Topeka Zone Fall Event: Redeemer Lutheran, Lawrence
Spring 2020	Scheduled to attend Zone events for the Kansas City CrossRoads, Manhattan, and Wichita Zones; all events canceled due to COVID-19 meeting restrictions



Presentations Made:

June 2018	Delivered greetings and shared LWML Display at the LCMS Kansas District Convention, Topeka
July 2018	Helped lead the Kansas Assembly of Leaders 2018, Salina: "Beautiful Feet: Where Are They Going?"
November 2018	Delivered greetings from LWML Kansas District to Lutheran Laymen's League Convention, Hays
March 2019	Presented national Mission Grant of \$30,000 to LeadaChild Executive Dir. Dr. Phil Frusti, Olathe
March 2019	Presented Kansas Mission Grant of \$5,000 to Ascension Lutheran Church, Pratt
May 2019	Presented Kansas Mission Grant of \$5,000 to Fairmount Ministries, Wichita
August 2019	Kansas Assembly of Leaders 2019, Wichita: "Follow the Leader"
November 2019	Delivered greetings from LWML Kansas District to Lutheran Laymen's League Conv., Great Bend

Reports/Articles Written:

June 2018	Statistical Report of District Mission Grants to National LWML
January 2018	District President's Report for BOD in St. Louis
September 2018	Two-Minute Tuesday Article, "Remember," for www.lwml.org
Fall 2018	District President's Report to the Zones
January 2019	District President's Report for BOD in St. Louis
February 2019	Throwback Thursday (CCCS/LeadaChild); Faces Friday, Focus Friday (75 th Anniversary Special Offering for Mission Central); and Focus Friday (Fairmount Ministries) for national Facebook
Spring 2019	District President's Report to the Zones
April 2019	"District Days" (Fairmount Ministries and Haskell LIGHT) for national Facebook Page
June 2019	District President's Report for BOD in Mobile, AL
Fall 2019	District President's Report to the Zones
January 2020	District Presidents Report for the Presidents Assembly in St. Louis
February 2020	District President's Report to the Zones
March 2020	Two-Minute Tuesday Article, "Spring Planting, New Clothes...and Lent?" for www.lwml.org
Spring 2020	Served as editor of the manual, online documents, and PowerPoints for the 2020 LWML Kansas District Convention
June 2020	Statistical Report of District Mission Grants to National LWML

Articles written for *The Kansas Sonshine*:

Summer 2018	"Beautiful Feet: Where Are They Going? – Part 1"
Fall 2018	"Beautiful Feet: Where Are They Going? – Part 2"
Winter 2018	"Beautiful Feet: Where Are They Going? – Part 3"
Spring 2019	"Not My Grandmothers' LWML—Also Known as Ladies Aid"
Summer 2019	"In Praise to the Lord"
Fall 2019	"My Mother's Ladies Aid and My WinGS"
Winter 2019	"It Takes a Village"
Spring 2020	"Let Us Fix Our Eyes On Jesus"
Spring 2020	<i>The Kansas Sonshine – Convention Issue 2</i>

Favorite Bible Verses:

2019: *Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen (Ephesians 3:20-21).*

2020: *We rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us (Romans 5:3-5).*





Caring Service
Committee
Kansas District

Lutheran Women's Missionary League Kansas District

Caring Service Committee Chairman
Betty Amey

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Activities of The Caring Service Committee to the Primary Focus Areas:

Nurturing Faith in Christ

- The Committee members faithfully attended Bible studies at KAOL and the 2018 Kansas Convention.

Making Our Faith Meaningful

- Committee members researched possible recipients of the ingatherings for KAOL and the 2018 and 2020 conventions; the 2020 ingathering is for the Topeka Rescue Mission, Health Kit items for Global Health Ministries, Stamps for the Texas District Stamporee project, and eyeglasses for MOST ministries.
- Committee members organized and purchased supplies for the servant events at the 2020 convention which include trimming stamps, tying and packing quilts for Orphan Grain Train, packaging dried beans/rice for the food pantry at Mission Southside in Olathe, and a blood donation center. Funds for the Beans and Rice were from a Thrivent Action Grant.
- Ingatherings for KAOL were for Abby House in 2018 and Grace Food Pantry and Orphan Grain Train in 2019.

Sharing Encouragement

- Under the guidance of VP for Caring Service, Laura Hunter, the Committee discussed, planned, and organized via many emails.

Meetings Attended:

- Kansas Assembly of Leaders, 2018 and 2019
- The 38th Biennial Convention, Mobile, Alabama
- Local LWML meetings and Rallies

Committee Members:

Betty Amey, Chairman
Carol Nix
Fonda Laurence
Sherry Fick
Kathy Heiniger

Favorite Bible Verse:

For by grace you have been saved, through faith, and this not from yourselves, it is a gift of God, not by works, so that no one can boast. For we are God's workmanship created in Christ Jesus to do good works which God prepared in advance for us to do (Ephesians 2: 8 – 10 NIV).





Christian Life
Committee
Kansas District

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Christian Life Committee Chairman

Tiffany Harkins

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Activities related to the Primary Focus Areas:

Nurturing Faith in Christ

- Attended home worship services regularly
- Participated in weekly group Bible study
- Daily personal and couple devotions
- Participated in two National LWML Prayer Services
- Attended two annual society women's retreats
- Email Balance Bible study with Christian Life Committee
- Attended LWML convention in Mobile

Making Our Faith Meaningful

- Communication with CL committee members to plan Christian Life retreat and Prayer Walk for convention and to secure speaker for Christian Life breakfast at convention
- Participated in community and society volunteer opportunities/mission projects
- Planned monthly society meetings and LWML Sunday
- Sought opportunities to intentionally share faith

Sharing Encouragement

- Shared personal updates and prayer at committee meeting
- Participated in Kansas District Prayer Mail
- Monthly walk and talk with prayer partner
- Devotions forwarded to friends as they make me think of them

Meetings Attended:

- March 2019 and February 2020 CL committee meetings
- Monthly society meetings
- Four Zone events
- Three Zone BOD meetings
- 2019 national LWML convention
- 2019 Kansas Assembly of Leaders
- 2019 Christian Life Retreat

I have worked on this committee with:

Judy Kolterman, Trish Geske, Nancy Taylor, Sara Deepe, VP Allison Lehmann, and Pastoral Counselor Bob Grimm

Favorite Bible Verse:

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Communication
Committee
Kansas District

Lutheran Women's Missionary League Kansas District

Communication Committee Chairman
Marj Aufdemberge

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Activities of Communication Committee to the Primary Focus Areas:

The Communication Committee members work to serve the interests of Kansas women by nurturing faith, making the LWML mission meaningful, and sharing encouragement through use of LWML Kansas District publications and various media outlets. Through these means, information is shared that can be used personally, by LWML groups, and LWML zones. The Communication Committee is a diverse group with individuals performing different tasks in a joint effort. The Communication Committee has been committed to serving the women of Kansas during the past biennium while we all unite to "Serve the Lord with Gladness."

Shelly Keller is the Vice President of the Communication Committee. She serves on the Executive Committee and relays pertinent information to committee members. One specific committee function she performs is organizing the Church Workers in Mission project that welcomes new pastors in the LCMS Kansas District with gift bags containing LWML information and products.

Marj Aufdemberge serves as Chairman of the Communication Committee. She attends LWML Kansas District Board of Directors meetings and votes for the committee. She also manages the *Lutheran Woman's Quarterly* subscriptions and website maintenance fees for the LWML Kansas District.

Michelle Domsch is the editor of the LWML Kansas District publication, *The Kansas Sonshine*. This publication is the official newsletter for the LWML Kansas District and is published quarterly. The newsletter contains spiritually uplifting articles, useful information, and pictures of district, zone, and local group events. The LWML Kansas District website has the current and past issues of *The Kansas Sonshine*. Check them out at www.kansaslwml.org.

Sherry Meier is the Directory Manager. She compiles useful contact information for the LWML Kansas District. Information is available for leaders of district, zone, and local groups.

Ramie Schulteis serves as the Social Media Manager. She keeps the Facebook page updated with announcements and important information about LWML activities in the Kansas District. Be sure to "like" our page.

Kathie Thurman manages the LWML Store. She can be found in the LWML store at most of the LWML events in the Kansas District. She does a wonderful job of providing LWML members with the latest products that are available for purchase.

Karl Peschel is the Website Administrator. He keeps the website updated for the LWML Kansas District. Annual website maintenance fees that each LWML group pays help provide the website for your use and enjoyment.

____ ?? _____ will be the next Technology Manager. (Shawna Spiehs served from 2018-2019.) Perhaps we can fill your name in here. The committee is currently seeking a technology manager. This individual helps with technology questions and assists at district events with sound and audio/visual aids. If you are interested in technology and possess the necessary skills, please apply by contacting the Communication Committee. Contact information is available on the LWML Kansas District website at www.kansaslwml.org.

Favorite Bible Verse:

For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them (Ephesians 2:10).





Gospel Outreach
Committee
Kansas District

Lutheran Women's Missionary League Kansas District

Gospel Outreach Committee
Student Financial Aid Chairman
Lisa Brack

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Activities of Lisa Brack to the Primary Focus Areas:

Nurturing Faith in Christ

- Attended Christian Life Retreat Nov. 2019
- Weekly Bible Study

Making Our Faith Meaningful

- President of local LWML society (Concordia Lutheran)
- Wrote 4 Thrivent Action Team grants for mission projects for our society
- Orphan Grain train school kits, layette kits and hygiene kits

Sharing Encouragement

- Sent letters to Financial Aid recipients August 2018, August 2019
- Sent Financial Aid for students to the following Concordia Universities – Seward, Irvine, Chicago, and Wisconsin – and Seminaries CTSFW and CSL: August 2018, December 2018, August 2019, December 2019

Meetings Attended:

- KAOL August 2018 and 2019
- Gospel Outreach Meeting (reviewing mission grant proposals) September 2019
- SFA meeting (reviewing SFA applications) July 2018, June 2019

Committee Members:

Maria Keil, Mission Grants Chairman
Jolene Stackhouse, Mission Grants
Lisa Brack, Financial Aid Chairman
Mary Dohl, Financial Aid

Favorite Bible Verse:

Give thanks in all circumstances, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you (1 Thessalonians 5:18).



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Activities of the Organizational Resources Committee to the Primary Focus Areas:

Nurturing Faith in Christ

- Meditated on God's Word through personal devotions
- Attended weekly Bible Study
- Worshipped weekly with my home congregation

Making Our Faith Meaningful

- Served as VP of Christian Life for Kansas City CrossRoads Zone
- Volunteered at Vacation Bible School
- Participated in Mission Service projects of my congregation
- Assisted with Sunday School as a substitute teacher

Sharing Encouragement

- Prayed for the Organizational Resources Committee members and their individual requests
- Encouraged and prayed for a Secret Prayer Sister
- Cooked meals for congregational families who needed assistance due to illness

Meetings Attended:

- Kansas Assembly of Leaders, 2018 and 2019
- Kansas City CrossRoads Board of Directors and Zone Events
- Conference call with the Organizational Resources Committee, May 19, 2019

Christine McCombs, Organizational Resources Committee Chairman
Kirsten Hastings
JoAnn Meyer
Karen Morrison
Elaine Engelman, District Vice President of Organizational Resources
Pastor Rocco Mallardi, District Junior Pastoral Counselor

Favorite Bible Verse:

*She is clothed in strength and dignity
and laughs without fear of the future
(Proverbs 31:25).*





Special Focus
Ministries
Committee
Kansas District

Lutheran Women's Missionary League Kansas District

Special Focus Ministries Committee Chairman
Jill Kruse

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Activities of Special Focus Ministries Committee to the Primary Focus Areas:

Nurturing Faith in Christ

- Selected Young Woman Representatives to national LWML convention
- Coordinated process for selection of district YWRs

Making Our Faith Meaningful

- Presented information from the national Assembly of Leaders at the 2019 Kansas Assembly of Leaders
- Prepared "Taking It to the Streets" breakout session for 2020 district convention
- Planned convention activities for YWRs at 2020 district convention

Sharing Encouragement

- Designed, ordered, and sold shirts and tote bags for 2020 district convention

Meetings Attended:

- 2018 KAOL
- 2019 KAOL
- SFM Committee meeting Apr. 6, 2019
- Multiple Skype committee meetings

Special Focus Ministries Committee

Jill Lowe, Vice President

Jill Kruse, Chairman

Elise Lorenz-Cleary

Debbie Lehman

Jeanie Zeller

Favorite Bible Verse:

Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.
(Philippians 4:8).





Herington Zone
Kansas District

Lutheran Women's Missionary League Kansas District

Herington Zone President
Donna Ascher

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Activities of Herington Zone President to the Primary Focus Areas:

Nurturing Faith in Christ

- Our Fall Workshop is centered around Bible Study led by one of the circuit pastors. The spring event is centered around Missions where we invite a Missionary to speak to our group.

Making Our Faith Meaningful

- The Ingathering at each event is selected by the Host Society, usually a mission effort from their community, which can also make the ingathering more urgent for the group.

Sharing Encouragement

- We use the time at our Board of Directors Meeting to talk about our challenges within our own groups/churches and encourage each other. We share ideas, suggestions, and prayer.

Meetings Attended:

- March 2018 Herington Zone Board of Directors (BOD) Mtg
- April 2018 Zone Mission Day
- April 2018 District Convention
- May District Convention Wrap Up Mtg
- Aug KAOL meeting in Salina
- Sept Zone BOD mtg
- Sept 2020 Convention committee mtg in Topeka
- October Zone Fall Workshop
- March 23, 2019 Zone BOD meeting
- April 27, 2019 Zone Spring Mission Day
- May 4, 2019 2020 Convention Committee meeting
- Sept. 14, 2020 Convention Committee meeting
- Sept. 15, 2019 Zone BOD meeting
- Oct. 12 – Zone Fall Workshop in Herington
- Jan. 11 – 2020 Convention Meeting in Topeka
- Feb. 29 – Zone BOD Meeting in Strong City
- March 28 – Zone Mission Day - Cancelled

Favorite Bible Verse:

God is my Refuge and Strength, an ever-present help in trouble, therefore we will not fear.
(Psalm 46:1).





Hutchinson Zone
Kansas District

Lutheran Women's Missionary League Kansas District

Hutchinson Zone President

Elise Lorenz-Cleary

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Activities of Hutchinson Zone President to the Primary Focus Areas:

Nurturing Faith in Christ

- I have had the opportunity to attend the Christian Women's Retreat with Heidi Goehmann this last November and since then I have used her websites ilovemyshepherd.com for my daily treadmill walk as well as reading my daily Mustard Seed devotion. I regularly attend worship service and adult Sunday School, lead worship singing once a month and am part of the church choir. I subscribe to Visual Faith Ministry—Kansas and am working through the study "When From Death I'm Free" during the Lenten season. I lift up prayer and read/recite scripture throughout the day as I have such posted in my home and office spaces.

Making Our Faith Meaningful

- I have opportunity daily to not only learn and grow personally but to show kindness and grace to others I work with and especially in my own home. By faith in a loving Savior and gracious God, the Holy Spirit guides me daily to acts of mercy, understanding, and love. I especially look forward to working with the Lutheran Women in Mission of St. Paul's Lutheran Church and the Hutchinson Zone doing Bible study, mission service and fellowship which includes collecting baby supplies for Prolife outreach, activity coloring/journaling bags for Wichita Children's Home, medical and general cleaning supplies for Orphan Grain Train, Noisy Mite Offerings at each 5th Sunday service, serving Ash Wednesday Lenten meals to support military ministries and Pastor Daniel Conrad's Mexico Ministry.

Sharing Encouragement

- I have shared Visual Faith Ministries Worship resources with the Midweek students of my congregation as well as bookmarks/notecards from the LWML website with friends and use them for outreach. I use Facebook to connect and share the story of God's love and scripture. My husband and I entertain in our home, friends both church and unchurched, lifting prayer and sharing the blessings of our life in Christ. Every day at work, I am given many opportunities to share encouragement with my patients and fellow office staff.

Meetings Attended:

- Regular LMWL meetings of St. Paul's-Cheney as President the past two years
- KAOL meeting 2018 as Society President and KAOL 2019 as Hutchinson Zone President
- Hutchinson Zone LWML Board of Directors meetings, 2018, 2019
- Hutchinson Zone Fall and Spring Meetings, 2108, 2019, (Spring 2020 Canceled)
- Christian Life Retreat, 2019
- Holy Cross Women's Retreat, 2018, 2020
- St. Paul's-Cheney Call Committee meetings 2019, Installation of Pastor Scherbarth, 01/29/2020
- St. Paul's-Cheney Lutheran School 125th Anniversary planning committee, August 2019
- St. Paul's LWML hosting Advent by Candlelight Event (community outreach event), 2018, 2019
- Serving on Kansas District Special Focus Ministry Committee, 2018-2020; meeting face-to-face, Skype, email, or text.

Favorite Bible Verse:

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God (Philippians 4:6).





Kansas City
CrossRoads
Zone
Kansas District

Lutheran Women's Missionary League Kansas District

Kansas City CrossRoads Zone President
Chyleen Pauesick

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Activities of Kansas City CrossRoads Zone President to the Primary Focus Areas:

Nurturing Faith in Christ

- Visited two of our elderly LWML members, each a few days before they went to live with Jesus. They shared some of their beliefs with me, which was very special. I treasure my memories of these great ladies.
- Started a devotional calendar, to highlight and emphasize some of the things that I learn in my daily devotions

Making Our Faith Meaningful

- Attended two retreats, with Bible Studies, devotional helps, meeting other women, and just growing in my faith.

Sharing Encouragement

- Visited with two ladies from Trinity Lutheran, in Basehor, about possibly starting an LWML society and also about the Mailbox Members
- Gave some friends Donna (Pyle) Snow's devotion books and encouraged them
- Have been making hospital visits and sending out Christian greeting cards

Meetings Attended:

- District BOD meeting in July in Salina
- KAOL meeting in Salina
- Zone BOD meeting in the fall
- Zone Event in the fall
- District Christian Life Retreat in Salina
- Two meetings with Zone Retreat Organizer, making plans for a retreat this summer
- Attended Beautiful Bounty Gathering at Trinity, Leavenworth
- Visited a society meeting of Trinity, Leavenworth
- Visited a society meeting of King of Kings, Gardner
- Attended a Retreat at Beautiful Savior, Olathe
- Zone BOD meeting in the spring
- Zone Event in the spring

Favorite Bible Verse:

*Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world.
Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of light." (John 8:12)*





Linn Zone
Kansas District

Lutheran Women's Missionary League Kansas District

Lincoln Zone President
Beverly Wiese

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Activities of the Lincoln Zone President to the Primary Focus Areas:

Nurturing Faith in Christ

Daily prayer, Bible study, attend worship, teach Sunday school, altar society member, LWML mission projects

Making Our Faith Meaningful

Show Christian love, concern, and pray for members of our congregations, communities, and those who have need in our country and around the world.

Sharing Encouragement

Using our gifts and talents to serve others who are suffering with illness, family conflicts, a death of a family member or friend and keeping in touch with new mothers, teachers, women that are not members of LWML, and older members in our congregations so they know what our LWML societies are currently doing and always invite and welcome them to participate if they can.

Meetings Attended:

- Presided at the Lincoln Zone BOD meeting at Immanuel, Ellsworth on 3-10-18
- Presided at the Lincoln Zone Spring Rally at Immanuel, Ellsworth on 4-8-18
- Attended the Kansas District BOD meeting and convention in Hutchinson 4-19 thru 4-22-18
- Attended the 2018 Kansas District Convention Transition meeting in Hutchinson 5-19-18
- Attended KAOL BOD meeting in Salina on 7-6 and 7-7, 2018
- Attended Kansas District 2020 Convention Planning meeting on 9-22-18 at Capital Plaza in Topeka
- Presided at the Lincoln Zone Fall Workshop in Plainville on 10-28-18
- Presided at the Lincoln Zone Spring Rally in Hays on 3-9-2019
- Attended Kansas District 2020 Convention Planning meeting on 5-4-19 at Immanuel, Ellsworth
- Attended KAOL in Wichita on 8-2 and 8-3, 2019
- Attended Kansas District 2020 Convention Planning meeting at Faith in Abilene on 9-14-19
- Presided at the Lincoln Zone BOD meeting at Trinity, Hunter on 9-25-19
- Presided at the Lincoln Zone Fall Workshop at Trinity, Hunter on 10-13-19
- Presided at the Lincoln Zone BOD meeting at Concordia, Hoisington on 2-23-20
- Plan to attend the Kansas District BOD meeting and convention in Topeka 7-29-20 to 8-02-20
- Plan to attend the 2020 Kansas District Convention Transition meeting in Topeka

Favorite Bible Verse:

*For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son,
that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life (John 3:16).*





Linn Zone
Kansas District

Lutheran Women's Missionary League Kansas District

Linn Zone President
Arlyce Klipp

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Activities of Linn Zone President to the Primary Focus Areas:

Nurturing Faith in Christ

- At our Zone Fall Events we have a Bible Study led by our zone counselor. Our Christian Life Chairman also presented several ideas that helped our faith to grow.
- At our Zone Spring events we have speakers that inform us about a special mission project. Our last event we had Rev. Joel Heisterman tell us about his mission trips to Russian orphanages. The year before, Micky Beikman shared the experiences she had while working with synod's education system and how it changed over the years.
- During the year, I shared devotions that are featured each month with the mission grants with the societies through emails. I also shared any notices that I received from national news. This way the groups can share this information and grow in knowledge of what is happening in LWML.
- I encouraged the use of the Mailbox Member Program.

Making Our Faith Meaningful

- Linn Zone has had ingatherings at their events – both spring and fall most of the time. We have been supporting the food pantries at Clay Center, Washington, and Marysville. We are looking forward to being involved with a new outreach program called "Swaddling Clothes" that Bethlehem, Greenleaf will be starting. This spring we will be gathering diapers and wipes to help with this project.
- Our Caring Service Chairman has been busy making ideas and sharing them at our events to give ideas of how each group can reach out with the love of Jesus. She introduced the Christmas Gift Box Project from Orphan Grain Train. Several groups filled boxes with gifts for children.

Sharing Encouragement

- I have been sharing information about LWML with churches in our zone that do not have an active LWML group. There is interest building, and I pray that God would lead the ladies to start a LWML group in the near future.
- It is important for ladies who are not active in LWML to find out what the LWML can offer them to help them grow in the Love of Jesus and to "Serve the Lord With Gladness" – to be Women in Mission.

Favorite Bible Verse:

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "Plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." (Jeremiah 29:11).





Lutheran Women's Missionary League Kansas District

Manhattan Zone President
Carolyn Stutzman

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Activities of Manhattan Zone President to the Primary Focus Areas:

Nurturing Faith in Christ

- Barbara Hartnett (UDS 383) was guest speaker at 2018 Spring Event
- Contacted Pastor Neil Buono, Pastor counselor at Heritage Mental Health in Topeka to speak at Spring Event 2019
- Pastor Price led Bible studies on Prayer at our Fall Events.

Making Our Faith Meaningful

- Led Day of Prayer Service for local groups in 2019 and 2020
- Leader of Bible studies for local society
- Used a Thrivent Action Team grant at Zone event to supply 45 LWR School Kits

Sharing Encouragement

- Shared the District Convention Video at Spring Event
- Decorated quilt blocks and tied a quilt to be given to someone in Zone
- Encouraged ladies and young ladies of the congregation to give Mighty Mite Bears a personality--bears were then put up for silent auction (funds went to mite offerings)

Meetings Attended:

- KAOL Meeting August 2018
- KAOL Meeting August 2019
- Attended District Convention April 2018
- Attended Local Society meetings
- Served on the Zone By-Laws Committee to update by-laws

Favorite Bible Verse:

We should not trust in ourselves, but in God (1Cor.1:9).





Northeast
Zone
Kansas District

Lutheran Women's Missionary League Kansas District

Northeast Zone President
Cindy Manche

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Activities of Northeast Zone President to the Primary Focus Areas:

Nurturing Faith in Christ

- Member of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Fairview
- Attend a women's Bible Study with our NE KS Partnership
- Read LWML *Mustard Seed Devotions* online

Making Our Faith Meaningful

- Attended the Kansas District Christian Life Retreat
- Prayer Service
- Attended KAOL

Sharing Encouragement

- Member of the Education Board at our church
- Secretary for Dorcas Society

Meetings Attended:

- Zone BOD meetings
- Zone Fall Gathering
- Zone Spring Fling
- Zone Spring Rally
- KAOL
- Zone Presidents meeting with District President
- Local Society

Favorite Bible Verse:

*For I am the Lord your God, who takes hold of your right hand and says to you,
Do not fear I will help you (Isaiah 41:13).*





Northwest
Zone
Kansas District

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Northwest Zone President
Betty Kruse

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Activities of Northwest Zone President to the Primary Focus Areas:

Nurturing Faith in Christ

- Attend worship regularly at Trinity, Colby
- Participate in personal Bible study as well as Sunday morning and lead the Thursday ladies' group
- Christian Life Retreat in Salina

Making Our Faith Meaningful

- Service in action - sew fabric into quilts for Lutheran World relief; coordinate our LWML quilt and kit drive and Orphan Grain Train collections
- Delivered quilts and kits to Hays for LWR pickup in 2018 and 2019

Sharing Encouragement

- Encourage (I hope) Trinity's worship with my music (organ, bells, choir)
- Mentor our LWML president Carol
- Visited zone societies to share information and encouragement
- Welcomed two new pastors to our zone
- Send cards, letters and e-mails for birthdays, anniversaries and for those in difficult days
- Encouraged giving to our chosen zone & society gatherings; Thrivent Action Grant for Spring 2019

Meetings Attended:

- KAOL 2018 and 2019
- Zone BOD meetings before our gatherings Fall 2018 (Colby)/Fall 2019 (Hill City); Spring 2018 (Hays) and 2019 (Kensington); presided over the four gatherings
- Shared information with society presidents and committee chairs unable to attend board meetings
- Communicated with society presidents
- Worked with Oakley society to get delegate to 2019 convention and sent her information to District
- Coordinated with Lincoln zone president Bev to plan spring mission day in Hays (Spring 2019)
- Numerous meetings with bylaws committee to update zone bylaws
- 2018 LLL convention in Hays
- 2019 LWML convention in Mobile
- Guest at 2019 LCMS convention in Tampa

Favorite Bible Verse:

Death is swallowed in Victory....But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain (I Corinthians 15:54-58).





Southeast
Zone
Kansas District

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Southeast Zone President
Kathy McGowen

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Activities of Southeast Zone President to the Primary Focus Areas:

Nurturing Faith in Christ, Making Our Faith Meaningful, and Sharing Encouragement

- Our monthly Bible studies for our Mary Martha group at Trinity – Girard are chosen to help nurture our faith and make our faith meaningful.
- As we apply our study of God's Word to our lives, we are able to share encouragement.

Meetings Attended:

- March 2018 – Southeast Zone Spring Rally, Good Shepherd – Erie
- April 2018 – LWML Kansas District Convention, Hutchison
- September 2018 – Southeast Zone Fall Workshop, Trinity – Fort Scott
- March 2019 – Southeast Zone Spring Event, Trinity – Girard
- October 2019 – Southeast Zone Fall Workshop, Immanuel – Hepler
- Bible study in Parsons
- Monthly Mary Martha group meetings, sharing the role of Bible study leader

Favorite Bible Verse:

Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and your plans will succeed (Proverbs 16:3).





**Southwest
Zone
Kansas District**

Lutheran Women's Missionary League Kansas District

**Southwest Zone President
Bernie Reetz**

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Activities of Southwest Zone President to the Primary Focus Areas:

Nurturing Faith in Christ

- Read devotions first thing every morning

Making Our Faith Meaningful

- Attend Bible study Sunday morning and midweek

Sharing Encouragement

- Include a Mustard Seed when sending personal cards and letters.
- Contacted ladies of Elkhart by phone, email and regular mail and they are willing to host the upcoming Spring Rally.
- Greensburg has been contacted several times by phone and e-mail, to no response
- The young ladies of Trinity Youth Group were invited to a reception, where we asked if they would let Lutheran Women in Missions, LWM, be mentors to them in our church activities. We treated them ice cream and gave each a gift bag of LWML items (bears, Mustard Seeds, booklets for youth and bookmarks). So far, we have had success in getting them involved in some of our activities, potlucks, bazaar, and the Chili-Cook-off.

Meetings Attended:

- 2018 Kansas District Convention in Hutchinson, concluding my elected position of Gospel Outreach VP
- First Tuesday of month LWM meeting as President of Trinity LWM
- 2018 Fall Rally at Grace, Liberal
- 2019 Spring Rally at Zion, Offerle, elected to President
- 2019 National LWML Convention in Mobile, AL
- 2019 KAOL at Holy Cross in Wichita when I was asked to consider Heart to Heart Sister committee
- 2019 Fall Rally at Holy Cross in Dodge City where we did Servant event during registration and ended Rally with a Prayer Walk
- 2020 Spring Rally will be held March 28 in Elkhart (inactive, but have a Bible study every month)
- Zone EC meets month before Rally to set up theme and program
- Heart to Heart Sister meets through phone and e-mail.

Comments:

All societies in Western Kansas have struggles with membership. The E-Society will be discussed during EC during the remainder of my term as SW Zone President, I hope to get this implemented. Another avenue may be individual membership, as of now, I do not know of any in SW Zone.

Favorite Bible Verse:

By Grace Through Faith: Ephesians 2

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Let us fix our eyes on Jesus ... (Hebrews 12:2)



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Topeka
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Topeka Zone President
LaJean Rinker

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Activities of LaJean Rinker, Topeka Zone President to the Primary Focus Areas:

Nurturing Faith in Christ

- Attend church and adult Bible Class weekly, as well as Advent and Lenten midweek services
- Have daily devotions including LWML devotions sent via email, *Portals of Prayer* and seasonal devotions for Advent and Lent

Making Our Faith Meaningful

- Lead a monthly Women's Bible Study. We do LWML and CPH Bible Studies and are presently studying the Book of Esther
- Lead a topic at LWML meeting at least once a year either from the *Quarterly* or a topic found on the LWML website
- Lead the Bible Study for our annual ladies' retreat; this past year it was on the Apostles' Creed.
- Sing in our church choir and lector at Sunday services on a regular basis
- Assisted with Vacation Bible School
- Volunteer one day a week at Topeka Lutheran School and work with the students there. Also substitute teach at TLS and volunteer at various events throughout the year.
- Am a member of the TLS Foundation Board of Directors where I serve as secretary.
- Served as liaison for Lutheran World Relief truck at annual pickup at Christ Lutheran in October.

Sharing Encouragement

- Share the LWML on-line devotionals with a friend for daily encouragement
- Invite ladies from our congregation to attend our monthly meetings and our annual retreat.
- Pray daily for our LWML members and officers on all levels.

Meetings Attended:

- Attended monthly meetings and workdays of Christ Lutheran LWML.
- Attended both Spring and Fall Zone events during the last 2 years
- Attended KAOL both years since the last convention as well as the 2018 convention.
- Attended several planning meetings for the 2020 convention.

Additional Comments:

Served on the committee to rewrite and update the Topeka Zone Bylaws.

Favorite Bible Verse:

*For we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him,
who have been called according to His purpose (Romans 8:28).*



REPORT TO THE LWML CONVENTION OF ACTIVITIES IN THE 2018-2020 BIENNIUM

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Activities of Wichita Zone President to the Primary Focus Areas:

Nurturing Faith in Christ

- Our Wichita Zone events incorporate study of the Word. The spring events have been centered around the Day of Prayer Service and our fall events have been opened with a Bible study.
- Our programs at Zone events feature speakers who have gone to the mission fields to be the voice and hands of our Savior. We have hosted Susan Moellinger, co-creator of Passageways Living Center, Linda Tape with Lights for Christ, and Donna Burton who has made 6 trips to teach VBS to Alaskan children.

Making Our Faith Meaningful

- As James wrote in James 2:26b, "...faith without works is dead." Therefore, we have responded to God's call to help those in need through ingatherings and service projects
- Fall 2017, ingathering for Grace Food Pantry; prepared bulk mailings for ARC and made plan for the sleeping mat project
- Spring 2018, in-gathering of snack foods and personal care items for veterans: made care packages for Passageways heroes
- Fall 2018, ingathering of items for Wichita Children's Home; packed backpacks with the items
- Spring 2019, ingathering of school supplies for Guatemalan students in Lights for Christ program
- Fall 2019, ingathering of snacks and study helps for WSU students; made care packages to be distributed at Fairmount Ministries Coffee House during finals week

Sharing Encouragement

- I send periodic emails to keep the groups in the Wichita Zone aware of the district and national LWML events that are taking place and encourage participation in them.
- Our LWML members have made handwritten cards of encouragement and personal witness that are placed in the care packages that we have made.
- Our delegates to the LWML conventions have shared their experiences with LWML members at our Zone events and encouraged others to participate in the conventions.

Meetings Attended:

- Zone BOD meetings in fall of 2017, spring and fall of 2018 and 2019, and spring of 2020
- Zone Fall Workshop in 2017, spring rallies and fall workshops in 2018, 2019, and spring of 2020
- KAOL District Meetings in summers of 2017, 2018, and 2019
- KS District BOD Meetings prior to 2018 (Hutchinson) and 2020 (Topeka) KS District Conventions
- KS District Caucus Meetings at the 2017 (Albuquerque) and 2019 (Mobile) LWML Conventions
- June 11, 2019 meeting in McPherson with Lisa Brack to review applications for Student Financial Aid
- September 7, 2019 meeting in Hays with Gospel Outreach Committee to review applications for Mission Grants and God's Gracious Gifts Funds
- Group meetings at Peace Lutheran Church in Andover and Redeemer Lutheran Church in Arkansas City

Favorite Bible Verse:

Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope, in the power of the Holy Spirit (Romans 15:13).



Lutheran Women's Missionary League Kansas District

Co-Archivist-Historians, Special Appointed Personnel
Amanda Engelman, Esther Ideker, and Marie Roth

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Activities of Co-Archivist-Historians related to the Primary Focus Areas:

Nurturing Faith in Christ

- Maintained records of how Christ is working in each zone and in the district
- Individual involvement in devotions and Bible studies

Making Our Faith Meaningful

- Trained two new co-archivist-historians: Amanda Engelman and Marie Roth
- Equipped zone historians and other interested women with guidelines and tools for saving memories of zone activities; information presented at insight session for 2020 LWML Kansas District Convention
- Began digitization of LWML files, focusing on preserving photographs first
- Explored ways to share our rich history through digital means
- Made plans for future revisions and releases of the 75th anniversary historical booklet
- Submitted 2016-2018 Biennial History and other required documentation to national LWML archives

Sharing Encouragement

- Created and shared a memory exhibit at 2020 LWML Kansas District convention exhibit hall
- Preserved memories through a scrapbook

Meetings Attended:

- January 20-22, 2019 - Archivist Boot Camp in St. Louis, MO; Esther attended
- February 26, 2019 - Co-Archivist-Historian training in Topeka, KS; all attended
- June 20-23, 2019 - National LWML 38th Biennial Convention in Mobile, AL; Amanda and Esther attended
- August 2-3, 2019 - Board of Directors meeting and Kansas Assembly of Leaders in Wichita, KS; all attended
- September 20, 2019 - meeting in Topeka to begin digitizing our memories; all attended
- October 18, 2019 - meeting in Topeka to continue digitization; all attended
- November 1-2, 2019 - Christian Life Retreat in Salina, KS; Amanda and Marie attended
- March 13, 2020 - meeting in Topeka to continue digitization; all attended
- March 20, 2020 - meeting in Topeka to continue digitization; all attended

Additional Comment:

- Judy Carlson is now an Archivist-Historian Emeritus. We thank her for her years of service to the Kansas District LWML!

Favorite Bible Verse:

I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me (John 10:14).





Lutheran Women's Missionary League Kansas District

Heart to Heart Sisters District Leader, Special Appointed Personnel
Sherri Rose

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Activities of Heart to Heart Sisters District Leader to the Primary Focus Areas:

Nurturing Faith in Christ

- Praying continually for the Heart to Heart Sisters program in the LWML Kansas District and for the multicultural women who are members of our LCMS congregations to learn about LWML and to join the effort in sharing the Gospel to our hurting world
- Daily devotions/Bible study using Today's Light devotional
- Attending two Bible studies at Hope Lutheran, Shawnee

Making Our Faith Meaningful

- Using the Heart to Heart Sisters Leader Development session at the convention to help the women of the LWML Kansas District learn how to engage other women in their congregations in LWML so we may all join the effort to share the Gospel to our hurting world
- Working with service groups in my congregation to serve the community and the congregation

Sharing Encouragement

- The Heart to Heart Sisters program encourages LWML members to reach out to all women in their congregations, inviting every woman to become involved in LWML at whatever level possible, reaching across cultural, language or any other "barriers" that may appear as obstacles
- It is the hope of the Heart to Heart Sisters committee to have a program in place for the 2022 District Convention with special activities and sessions for Heart to Heart Sisters

Meetings Attended:

- Each KAOL meeting this biennium
- Phone meetings with Heart to Heart Sisters committee member
- Attended the Heart to Heart Sisters District Leader training at the LWML Mobile Convention

Favorite Bible Verse:

*God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble (Psalm 46:1).*



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Activities of Lutheran World Relief Coordinator to the Primary Focus Areas:

Nurturing Faith in Christ

- Personal Devotions and Bible Study, along with weekly Worship

Making Our Faith Meaningful

October 2019 Lutheran World Relief pick-up report for Kansas:

- Wichita 7,396 lbs.
- Hays 9,099 lbs.
- Salina 12,446 lbs.
- Topeka 15,705 lbs.
- In 2019, the Oklahoma District started their own pickup site and did not deliver to Wichita; that cut our collection there by about 50%. This confirms that it was more efficient for Oklahoma to begin their own statewide collection site, and they report that they had a fantastic first year.

Sharing Encouragement

- Praying for and communicating with each church and their LWR contact person

2020 Lutheran World Relief Pick up Schedule

Pick up times: 9 a.m. - Noon

WICHITA	Tues, Oct. 6	Risen Savior Lutheran Church, 6770 E 34 th St. No, 67226
HAYS	Wed., Oct. 7	Trinity Lutheran Church, 2703 Fort St., 67601
SALINA	Thurs., Oct. 8	Trinity Lutheran Church, 702 S Ninth St., 67401
TOPEKA	Fri., Oct. 9	Christ Lutheran Church, 3509 SW Burlingame, 66614

2019 was my final year to coordinate for LWML and LWR. This year, if a new coordinator is not appointed, each church will be responsible for scheduling the truck for the day of their pickup. I will be in contact with each church's contact person to make sure they have the information they need to continue this important work of the Kansas LWML. Thank you to the societies, zones, and all the men and women of the LWML Kansas District who had a part in collecting, packaging, and shipping needed items for Lutheran World Relief. To God be the glory!

Favorite Bible Verse:

*If anyone serves, he should do it with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised.
(1 Peter 4:11b).*





Lutheran Women's Missionary League Kansas District

Prayer-Mail Coordinator, Special Appointed Personnel

Velma Bass

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Activities of P-mail coordinator to the Primary Focus Areas:

Nurturing Faith in Christ

- Prayer, either corporate or private, nurtures the faith of the pray-er. 1 Peter 3:12a
- Prayer calms the weary and worried heart. 1 Corinthians 4:6

Making Our Faith Meaningful

- Prayer offers hope and mental healing. Romans 12:12

Sharing Encouragement

- Prayer for others gives comfort and aids in their well-being. Ephesians 6:18

Meetings Attended:

- None: my husband Larry's health keeps me near to him at home.

Since the 2018 convention, I have circulated 176 prayers for healing, hope, sympathy, and thanksgiving including updates on many of those prayers to 165 women and men across Kansas and the Midwest. (People who move out of the District often request to have their names remain on the blind-copy mailing list.)

Favorite Bible Verse:

*Encourage one another daily, as long as it is called Today,
so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness (Hebrews 3:13).*





Lutheran Women's Missionary League Kansas District

Short-Term Mission Trip Coordinator, Special Appointed Personnel
Ann Jedele

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Report of the Short-term Mission Trip Coordinator

Possible short-term mission trips:

- Ysleta Mission, El Paso, TX
- Listing from LCMS Short Term Mission Trips
- Thrivent World-Wide Habitat builds, and
- others.

It is my wish that a trip to Ysleta Mission would be a reality in the next year or two. Any trip would give our LWMLers opportunities to witness as they assist people who need our talents and abilities. If members are not able to personally go on a trip – there are always opportunities for prayer for those who go or financial assistance for those who wish to participate.

Favorite Bible Verse:

*The Lord is my light and my salvation, whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life;
of whom shall I be afraid? Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage, wait for the Lord!*
(Psalm 27:1, 14).





Lutheran Women's Missionary League Kansas District

2019 Mobile Convention Bus Chairman

Donna Burton

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There were a few challenges that made me wonder if there was going to be a Kansas bus going to Mobile. After several calls to Brenda, a few cancellations of riders, and a lot of prayer God finally proved He was in control; and there was going to be a Kansas bus going to Mobile.

On Monday, June 17, we started the trip at Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Wichita. We then proceeded east to pick up ladies in Fredonia and Girard. We had lunch in Pittsburg, Kansas. Our first night was spent in Little Rock, Arkansas. Tuesday, we headed to Jackson, Mississippi where we spent the afternoon at the Civil Rights Museum. We spent the night at the Drury Inn and enjoyed their evening "Kick Back." This included good food, drinks, popcorn, and Christian fellowship. On Wednesday we headed to Mobile, Alabama. Our first stop in Mobile was the USS Alabama Memorial Park, where we ate lunch on the USS Alabama. We toured the ship, aircraft museum, and submarine. The next stop was the convention center for early registration. We checked into our hotel, ate supper, and went to bed so we could be up early the next day.

Thursday started our early mornings for the next four days. Due to the space for loading/unloading buses at the convention center we were given a scheduled time. Our days started with breakfast at 5:30 a.m. (Thurs/Fri) and at 6 a.m. (Sa/Sun) The early arrival at the center allowed us to attend the morning Bible studies, the Mission in Motion Pledge Walk, and time for fellowship. We were ten miles from the center so the ride to/from allowed for conversations about the daily events.

Sunday the convention ended around noon. We had to leave a few minutes before it ended, in order to meet our scheduled departing time. Renee, our bus driver, changed our route back by going to Biloxi so we could see the gulf shores. Fortunately, there was construction in the gulf shore area, so we HAD to drive slowly. This allowed us to get a good view of the shore. After this site seeing the bus was pretty quiet. Naps were needed after four mornings of early rising. ☺ We spent Sunday night at the Drury Inn in Jackson, MS. Once again, we enjoyed the "Kick Back" and fellowship. Monday, we spent the day on the road with our destination Fort Smith, AR. Tuesday, we spent the day on the road headed for Kansas. We said, "See you later" to ladies in Girard, then "See you later" to three more in Fredonia, and we ended our trip at Holy Cross in Wichita. President Brenda greeted us in Wichita.

During our travels on the bus we had devotions, sang, visited, played cards, slept, ate, and enjoyed the long lines for the restrooms at our stops for breaks. A couple times we pulled a true LWML doing and took over the men's restroom. Yes, the bus choir sounded "great." Not sure we will be going on tour anytime soon. ☺

We had 30 ladies and one man, Rev. Ron Rather, on the bus. New friendships were made, and old ones revisited. I look forward to seeing these fellow bus riders at future LWML events. Brenae Ard, a YWR, rode the bus. We all enjoyed getting to know her and sharing about LWML. What a delightful young lady. I look forward to seeing her at future LWML events.

Renee, our bus driver, did a great job getting us around during the trip. She joined us for the opening worship service and Saturday evening's entertainment, both she enjoyed. She told me our trip/group was her favorite trip and if we go on a trip with Village Tours again that she would love to be our driver.

This bus trip allowed me to watch the riders make new friends, share stories, laugh, enjoy the convention, and grow in God's love. Yes, God allowed challenges from the beginning of planning the trip, during the trip, and to the end. But He blessed it all, He allowed us a fun and safe trip. God is in control.

— Donna Burton, Kansas Bus Chairman

Favorite Bible Verse

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord. Plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future (Jeremiah 29:11).

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Let us fix our eyes on Jesus ... (Hebrews 12:2)



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Activities of the 2020 Convention Committee to the Primary Focus Areas:

Nurturing Faith in Christ

- Attended KAOL
- Led the local society Day of Prayer Service
- Attend Divine Worship and Adult Bible Class
- Attend Zone meetings, serving as Historian
- Read daily Portals of Prayer and Mustard Seed Devotions

Making Our Faith Meaningful

- Visit a local nursing home regularly and sing with residents
- Contacted women within the Topeka Zone to encourage them to serve on convention committees
- Worked with Topeka Zone committee chairmen at zone meetings to help find volunteers to serve on their committees
- Serve as society treasurer
- Work on planning committee to organize yearly society programs

Sharing Encouragement

- Worked with district personnel to coordinate plans for the convention
- Collaborated with Co-Chairmen Debbie Jenne and Judy Ruckman on planning for the 2020 convention
- Spoke individually with zone members to encourage participation in the convention
- Worked one-on-one with convention committee chairmen to facilitate their work

Meetings Attended:

- Attended the 2018 convention transition meeting on May 19, 2018 in Hutchinson
- Served as chair for four convention planning meetings: September 22, 2018 in Topeka, May 4, 2019 in Ellsworth, September 14, 2019 in Abilene, and January 18, 2020 in Topeka
- Attended a walk-through meeting at the Topeka Capital Plaza Hotel, February 29, 2020

Thank you also to my co-chairmen:

**Debbie Jenne from the Herington Zone, and
Judy Ruckman from the Lincoln Zone.**

Favorite Bible Verse:

For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. Romans 8:38-39





Lutheran Women's Missionary League Kansas District

Endowment Committee, Special Appointed Personnel
Eden Keefe and Kim Burdett, Co-Chairmen

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Activities of Endowment Committee to the Primary Focus Areas:

Nurturing Faith in Christ

- By planning for the use of estate gifts, we can effectively and wisely enhance the scope of LWML Kansas District work.

Making Our Faith Meaningful

- By stewarding estate gifts in a way that will be both God-pleasing and beneficial to the district leaders and our LWML District, we can continue the legacy of LWML for future kingdom work.
- By working with our LWML Gift Planning Counselors and the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod Foundation, who are experienced professionals, we can assist LWML members and their families transfer their blessings to family, heirs, and ministry.

Sharing Encouragement

- By developing Endowment Guidelines and Gift Acceptance Policies, donors can trust that their estate gifts to LWML Kansas District will be thoughtfully and wisely managed.
- By presenting at convention with Gift Planner, Carol von Soosten, we will promote the LWML Kansas District Endowment Fund and the LWML Gifts of Love Ministry.

Meetings Attended:

- Endowment Committee Meeting July 19, 2018 in Olathe, KS
- Board of Director's Meeting, August 2, 2019, in Wichita, KS
- Phone Meeting with LCMS Foundation Vice President Ralph Simon August 13, 2019
- Follow up meeting with Kim Burdett August 31, 2019
- Informal Meeting with Linda Gage and Carol von Soosten October 24, 2019
- The rest of the work was done via email.

For more information about LWML Gift Planning through the Gifts of Love Ministry go to www.lwmlgiftplan.org/.

Kim Burdett, Co-Chairman

Eden Keefe, Co-Chairman

Brenda Piester, District President, Advisory

Rev. Bob Grimm, Pastoral Counselor, Advisory

Favorite Bible Verse:

The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver (2 Corinthians 9:6-7).



Lutheran Women's Missionary League Kansas District

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Let us fix
our *eyes* on

Jesus

the **author** and **perfector** of our faith,
who for the **joy** set before Him **endured the cross,**

SCORNING ITS **SHAME**

and sat down

at the *right*

hand of the

throne of

G O D.

Hebrews 12:2



2018-2020 Mission Goal of the LWML Kansas District Summary

as approved by the Board of Directors and adopted by the voting assembly on April 21, 2018:

\$ 43,000 for new mission grants to continue our support of work in missions,

\$43,000 was joyfully granted to fund the chosen grants.

\$ 40,000 for student financial aid to help meet the need for fulltime church workers,

\$40,000 from mite offerings and other donations plus an additional \$6,900 was granted from the Student Financial Aid fund held in the district's Lutheran Church Extension Fund account.

\$ 36,450 for operating and publication expenditures,

\$33,558.89 was the total of operating expenses for this biennium, noting that more than \$5,600 in expenses was donated by LWML officers and personnel.

\$ 36,250 to the Lutheran Women's Missionary League as the 25% share of the anticipated Mite goal,

\$36,250 was given to LWML as the 25% share of the mite offering goal.

\$ 145,000 for the Kansas District Mite offering, during the 2018-2020 biennium,

\$141,691.86 was the final mite offering total.

WHEREAS, the LWML motto "Serve the Lord with Gladness" was exemplified in the hearts and the actions of the LWML Kansas District members as they were encouraged to meet the challenge of the 2018-2020 mission goal; and

WHEREAS, they joyfully gave their time, talents, and service to the Lord through prayerful giving of mite offerings and in their support of the LWML Kansas District activities; therefore, be it

RESOLVED that we gave all glory to the Triune God as we adopted a total mission goal of \$ 155,700 for the 2018-2020 biennium and firmly trusted God to meet our needs, and

\$157,327.21 was received to exceed the Mission Goal for the 2018-2020 Biennium.

All Praise to God!



Lutheran Women's Missionary League Kansas District

"Serve the Lord with Gladness" Psalm 100:2

Office of the Treasurer

Carolyn Fishburn

Report of the Treasurer for the Biennium from April 1, 2018 - March 31, 2020

GRANTS RECIPIENT REPORT

GOD'S GRACIOUS GIFT FUND RECIPIENTS - 2018-2020

MOST Ministries: Postage, Shipping and Baggage Fees for Missionary Teams	\$500.00	5/1/2018
St. Paul Lutheran School, Cheney, KS: Purchase Used School Bus	\$3,000.00	5/1/2018
Linn Lutheran Preschool, Linn, KS: Preschool Library	\$1,200.00	5/1/2018
Lutheran Student Center, WSU: Mission Trip to Mexico	\$1,000.00	5/1/2018
WinGS LWML, Ascension Lutheran, Pratt, KS: Prayer Shawl Ministry	\$218.00	5/1/2018

Total God's Gracious Gift Fund Grants Paid

\$5,918.00

DISTRICT MISSION GRANT RECIPIENTS - 2018-2020

Orphan Grain Train, Wichita, KS	\$5,000.00	5/13/2018
Concordia Seminary Food Bank, St. Louis, MO	\$5,000.00	7/28/2018
Lutheran Braille Workers, Kansas	\$6,000.00	1/22/2019
(Work Center #64 - Shawnee \$2,000.00)		
(Work Center #31 - Topeka \$2,000.00)		
(Work Center #71 - Wichita \$2,000.00)		
Ascension Lutheran Church, Pratt, KS	\$5,000.00	3/10/2019
LCMS Ministry to the Armed Forces, St. Louis, MO	\$4,000.00	4/24/2019
Lutheran Student Center at Wichita State University	\$5,000.00	5/31/2019
Lutheran Indian Ministries, Haskell LIGHT Campus Ministry	\$5,000.00	8/5/2019
Capstone Ministries, Kisumu, Kenya	\$4,000.00	11/14/2019
Lutheran Heritage Foundation, Macomb, MI	\$4,000.00	2/25/2020

Total Mission Grants Paid

\$43,000.00



Student Financial Aid

\$ 40,000 from Mite Offerings was committed for Student Financial Aid (SFA) for the 2018-2020 Biennium.

2018-2019: \$20,000 Committed

2019-2020: \$20,000 Committed

Concordia Seward:

Teacher: Natasha Bonine, Mikayla Lowe,
Stephanie Hatesohl, Makayla Kosberg,
Jacy Johnston, Jayme Lowe, Monica Lennington,
Joseph Kracht, Kausaundra Kosberg
Pastor: Kaleb Weinkauff
DCE: Olivia Johnson, Leah Werling, Jonathon Bailey

Concordia Wisconsin

Teacher: Jordan Mahnken, Mary Schultz

Concordia Chicago:

Pastor: Josiah Schultz

Concordia Theological Seminary Fort Wayne

Pastor: Joshua Brandmahl, Raymond Dubrava,
Nathan Knaus, Lawson Short

Concordia Seminary St. Louis

Pastor: Jacob Rhodes, Jaron Melon

\$ 26,850 for 2018-2019

Concordia Seward:

Teacher: Mikayla Lowe, Broderick Schofield,
Stephanie Hatesohl, Natasha Bonine,
Makayla Kosberg
Pastor: Kaleb Weinkauff, Ramon Ontiverious
DCE: Olivia Johnson, Leah Werling
DPM: Jennifer Horne

Concordia Wisconsin:

Teacher: Mary Schultz, Madison Chiapetta,
Jordan Mahnken

Concordia Chicago:

Teacher: Jesse Schultz
Pastor: Josiah Schultz

Concordia Irvine

DCE: Hannah Elsey

Concordia Theological Seminary Fort Wayne

Pastor: Joshua Brandmahl, Christian Schultz

Concordia Seminary St. Louis

Pastor: Jaron Melon, Jacob Rhodes, Brendon Moore
Brian Dohl

\$ 20,050 for 2019-2020*

\$ 40,000 from Mite Offerings was committed for Student Financial Aid (SFA) for the 2018-2020 Biennium, which is \$ 20,000 per year or \$ 10,000 per semester.

- Freshman and Sophomore: \$ 700/year or \$350/semester
- Junior and Senior: \$ 900/year or \$450 semester
- Internship year: \$ 450/year or \$225/semester
- First and Second Seminary year: \$ 1,200/year or \$600/semester
- Third and Fourth Seminary year: \$ 1,500/year or \$750/semester
- Vicarage: \$ 750/year or \$375/semester
- Any amount needed over the \$10,000/semester is taken from the Student Financial Aid Fund.

To award all the SFA that was voted on at the 2018 convention, a small increase above these amounts was awarded to each student during the 2019-2020 school year.

*Includes \$50 to the Joint Seminary Fund in honor of Kansas LCMS President Rev. Peter Lange and his service to the Kansas District upon his election as First Vice President of the LCMS.



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"Serve the Lord with Gladness" Psalm 100:2

Office of the Treasurer

Carolyn Fishburn

Report of the Treasurer for the Biennium from April 1, 2018 - March 31, 2020

TREASURER'S REPORT

Current Bank Reconciliation

Balance - March 12, 2020	\$	57,054.58
Outstanding Deposits	\$	19,370.41
Outstanding Checks	\$	(17,531.02)
	\$	58,893.97

Accounting Report

Opening Balance - April 1, 2018	\$	69,185.72
Receipts for 2018-2020 Biennium	\$	274,847.29
Total Available	\$	344,033.01
Disbursements for 2018-2020 Biennium	\$	(285,139.04)
Closing Balance - March 31, 2020	\$	58,893.97

Donated Expenses

\$ 5,677.78

Many thanks to the Executive Committee and Board of Directors members for donating so much of their mileage and meeting expenses!



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DISBURSEMENTS REPORT

Sum of Disbursements for the Biennium:

25% Mites to National LWML	\$ 36,250.00
District Mission Grants Paid	\$ 43,000.00
Day of Prayer 2019: God's Gracious Gift Fund	\$ 1,789.01
Day of Prayer 2020: Kansas District LCMS West Africa Partnership	\$ 2,583.61
God's Gracious Gifts Fund Donation Transfer to LCEF	\$ 14,536.59
God's Gracious Gifts Fund Grants Paid	\$ 5,918.00
Student Financial Aid Donation Transfer to LCEF	\$ 1,120.00
Student Financial Aid Disbursements	\$ 46,900.00
Leader Development Transfer to LCEF	\$ 10,655.51
Leader Development Paid	\$ 4,074.60
<i>Lutheran Woman's Quarterly</i>	\$ 25,856.34
Webmaster and Website Expenses	\$ 3,191.40
LWML Store	\$ 14,100.92
2020 LWML KS District Convention Start Up expense	\$ 2,500.00
2020 District Convention Expenses to be Reimbursed by Conv.*	\$ 4,535.71
* Convention canceled/rescheduled due to COVID-19 virus concerns	
2018 District Convention Offering #2 and 75th Anniv. Offering	\$ 8,843.00
2018 Convention Equalization Expense	\$ 503.03
KAOL 2018	\$ 3,421.40
KAOL 2019	\$ 6,118.91
AOL	\$ 143.70
Heart 2 Heart	\$ 178.81
Christian Life Retreat	\$ 7,699.85
National Convention (President, Jr. Counselor, 4 YWR's, H2H)	\$ 4,540.54
National Convention (Executive Committee)	\$ 250.00
Bus to 2019 National Convention in Mobile	\$ 24,182.60
Administration	\$ 4,902.02
Executive Committee	\$ 6,183.23
Retreat Center Deposit to be Returned	\$ -
Standing Committees	\$ -
Church Workers in Mission	\$ 355.15
Archivist/Historian	\$ 525.25
LWR	\$ 79.86
Pass Through (Ingathering Cash)	\$ 200.00

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS

\$ 285,139.04



Lutheran Women's Missionary League Kansas District

"Serve the Lord with Gladness" Psalm 100:2

Office of the Treasurer

Carolyn Fishburn

Report of the Treasurer for the Biennium from March 22, 2018 - March 31, 2020

LCEF ACCOUNTS REPORT

Student Financial Aid Fund

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Disbursements</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Opening Balance - March 22, 2018			\$ 76,483.22
Deposits:			
Donations	\$ 770.00		
Interest Earned	\$ 1,453.85		
Return of unused financial aid	\$ 350.00		
			\$ 79,057.07
Withdrawals:			
Financial Aid Disbursements		\$ (6,900.00)	
Ending Balance - March 31, 2020			<u>\$ 72,157.07</u>

God's Gracious Gift Fund

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Disbursements</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Opening Balance - March 22, 2018			\$ 17,687.47
Deposits:			
Donations	\$ 14,536.59		
April 2018 - March 2019 Day of Prayer	\$ 1,789.01		
Interest Earned	\$ 383.30		
			\$ 34,396.37
Withdrawals:			
Payment of 2018 GGGF Recipients		\$ (5,918.00)	
Ending Balance - March 31, 2020			<u>\$ 28,478.37</u>

Leader Development Fund

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Disbursements</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Account opened - July 22, 2019			\$ -
Deposits:			
2016 & 2018 Convention Overages	\$ 8,616.01		
2017 & 2019 CL Retreat Overages	\$ 2,039.50		
Interest Earned	\$ 55.15		
			\$ 10,710.66
Withdrawals:			
Reimburse Delegate Registrations to Zones		\$ (2,100.00)	
KAOL Leader Development Expenses		\$ (1,474.60)	
EC Registration Assistance to Nat'l Conv.		\$ (500.00)	
Ending Balance - March 31, 2020			<u>\$ 6,636.06</u>



LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSION LEAGUE KANSAS DISTRICT

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Office of the Financial Secretary

Ella Schempp

Report of the Financial Secretary for the Biennium from April 2018 to March 2020 3/26/2020

Sum of Income for Biennium	
Mites	\$ 141,691.86
District Mission Grants	\$ 2,461.26
2018 Convention Offering #1	\$ 4,707.84
2019/2020 Valentine special offering	\$ 3,444.17
2019 Mission Project	
Day of Prayer	
2019 God's Gracious Gift Fund	\$ 1,789.01
2020 KS District West Africa Partnership	\$ 2,583.61
God's Gracious Gift Fund	\$ 12,106.97
Thrivent Choice	\$ 2,402.00
Donate Your Change Kansas 20%	\$ 27.62
God's Gracious Gift Fund LCEF transfer	\$ 5,918.00
Student Financial Aid Fund	\$ 770.00
Student Financial Aid LCEF Transfer	\$ 6,900.00
Student Financial Aid Return Funds	\$ 350.00
Leader Development	
Leader Development LCEF Transfer	\$ 4,074.60
Lutheran Woman's Quarterly	\$ 23,350.00
Webmaster & Website Fees	\$ 1,842.25
Other Income:	
Interest Income	\$ 182.07
LWML Store	\$ 12,234.92
2018 Convention	
Convention Start Up Fee	\$ 2,500.00
Convention Excess	\$ 2,363.76
Convention Offering #2 & 75th	\$ 8,843.00
2018 KAOL Lodging	\$ 1,690.75
2019 KAOL	
2019 Christian Life Retreat	\$ 8,081.00
Christian Life Start Up Fee	
Christian Life Excess	
2019 Bus Mobile	\$ 24,182.60
Miscellaneous:	
Pass Through (Ingathering Cash)	\$ 200.00
Herington Retreat Refund	\$ 150.00
TOTALS	\$ 274,847.29



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Abilene - Faith	\$ 1,108.55	\$ 102.50	\$ 16.00	\$ 100.00					\$ 1,327.05
Aliceville - St John	\$ 1,675.97	\$ 100.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 100.00					\$ 1,881.97
Alma - St. John	\$ 2,651.48	\$ 220.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 107.00					\$ 2,994.48
Alta Vista - St Paul	\$ 1,097.98	\$ 160.00	\$ 22.00	\$ 25.00					\$ 1,304.98
Andover - Peace	\$ 340.51	\$ 110.00	\$ 16.00						\$ 466.51
Argonia - Zion	\$ 181.17	\$ 50.00	\$ 6.00						\$ 237.17
Arkansas City - Redeemer	\$ 572.58	\$ 6.50	\$ 6.00						\$ 585.08
Atchison - Trinity	\$ 791.42	\$ 127.00	\$ 16.00						\$ 934.42
Atwood - Redeemer	\$ 583.40	\$ 330.00	\$ 22.00			\$ 100.00			\$ 1,035.40
Augusta - Christ	\$ 721.43	\$ 214.00	\$ 16.00						\$ 951.43
Basehor - Risen Savior	\$ 471.60	\$ 880.00	\$ 16.00			\$ 75.00			\$ 1,442.60
Bremen - Bethlehem	\$ 469.40								\$ 469.40
Bremen - Immanuel	\$ 1,658.17	\$ 188.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 49.00		\$ 47.00			\$ 1,958.17
Burlington - Trinity	\$ 497.92	\$ 110.00	\$ 16.00						\$ 623.92
Canton - Immanuel	\$ 1,593.03	\$ 200.00	\$ 12.00				\$ 68.83		\$ 1,873.86
Chanute - Zion	\$ 808.98	\$ 110.00	\$ 16.00						\$ 934.98
Cheney - St Paul's	\$ 1,192.87	\$ 220.00	\$ 16.00						\$ 1,428.87
Clay Center - St Paul	\$ 2,123.87	\$ 253.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 136.11					\$ 2,528.98
Coffeyville									\$ -
Colby - Trinity	\$ 3,007.23	\$ 275.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 143.00					\$ 3,441.23
Council Grove - Calvary	\$ 567.27	\$ 21.50	\$ 10.00	\$ 18.00					\$ 616.77
Derby - Faith	\$ 1,177.88	\$ 125.00	\$ 12.00						\$ 1,314.88
Dodge City - Holy Cross	\$ 918.88	\$ 50.00	\$ 6.00						\$ 974.88
Duluth - St Paul's	\$ 424.74	\$ 135.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 100.00					\$ 675.74
Easton - St. John's	\$ 258.88	\$ 32.50	\$ 6.00						\$ 297.38
El Dorado - Grace	\$ 322.04	\$ 240.00	\$ 22.00						\$ 584.04
Ellinwood - St John	\$ 446.62	\$ 240.00	\$ 6.00						\$ 692.62
Ellsworth - Immanuel	\$ 1,436.79	\$ 166.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 92.00		\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00		\$ 1,730.79
Ellsworth - St. Paul's	\$ 1,232.99	\$ 193.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 272.16			\$ 2,164.15
Emporia - Faith	\$ 117.60	\$ 50.00	\$ 6.00						\$ 173.60
Emporia - Messiah	\$ 2,557.01	\$ 385.00	\$ 16.00						\$ 2,958.01
Erie - Good Shepherd	\$ 113.28	\$ 120.00	\$ 12.00	\$ 50.00					\$ 295.28
Fairview - St Paul's	\$ 868.12	\$ 276.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 112.00		\$ 25.00	\$ 85.00		\$ 1,382.12
Ft. Scott - Trinity	\$ 129.76	\$ 100.00	\$ 6.00						\$ 235.76
Garden City - Trinity	\$ 623.91	\$ 57.50	\$ 16.00						\$ 697.41
Gardner - King of Kings	\$ 620.65								\$ 620.65
Garnett - Trinity									\$ -
Girard - Mary Martha	\$ 171.80	\$ 32.50	\$ 6.00						\$ 210.30



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Girard - Trinity Guild	\$ 511.89	\$ 147.50	\$ 26.00						\$ 685.39
Greenleaf - Bethlehem	\$ 285.00	\$ 212.00	\$ 28.00						\$ 525.00
Hanover - Trinity	\$ 1,634.96	\$ 165.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 45.00		\$ 55.00			\$ 1,915.96
Haven - St. Paul's	\$ 3,245.32	\$ 224.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 70.00		\$ 88.00	\$ 150.00		\$ 3,793.32
Hays - Messiah	\$ 685.05	\$ 195.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 65.00					\$ 961.05
Hepler - Immanuel WINGS	\$ 543.55	\$ 110.00	\$ 16.00						\$ 669.55
Herington - Immanuel	\$ 92.14								\$ 92.14
Herington - Our Redeemer	\$ 421.31	\$ 95.00	\$ 16.00						\$ 532.31
Herington - St John Lyons Creek		\$ 100.00	\$ 12.00						\$ 112.00
Hiawatha - Zion	\$ 630.59	\$ 110.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 91.00					\$ 847.59
Hill City - Grace	\$ 394.72	\$ 110.00	\$ 16.00						\$ 520.72
Hillsboro - Zion	\$ 1,943.48	\$ 435.00	\$ 22.25			\$ 87.00			\$ 2,487.73
Hoisington - Concordia	\$ 1,035.23	\$ 165.00	\$ 16.00				\$ 74.07		\$ 1,290.30
Holton - Trinity									\$ -
Holyrood - St. Peter									\$ -
Humboldt - St. Peters	\$ 780.91	\$ 32.50	\$ 6.00						\$ 819.41
Hunter - Trinity	\$ 878.72	\$ 330.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 119.00					\$ 1,343.72
Hutchinson - Our Redeemer	\$ 4,596.96	\$ 550.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 189.00		\$ 25.00	\$ 100.00		\$ 5,476.96
Independence - Zion	\$ 489.55	\$ 165.00	\$ 16.00						\$ 670.55
Iola - Grace	\$ 681.51	\$ 352.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 147.83		\$ 78.00			\$ 1,275.34
Junction City - Immanuel	\$ 1,337.19	\$ 170.00	\$ 16.00						\$ 1,523.19
Junction City - St Paul's	\$ 266.22								\$ 266.22
Kansas City - Bethel									\$ -
Kansas City - Grace	\$ 141.50								\$ 141.50
Kansas City - Our Savior	\$ 1,714.14	\$ 355.00	\$ 16.00				\$ 100.00		\$ 2,185.14
Kansas City - St Luke's	\$ 120.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 6.00						\$ 176.00
Kansas City Metro Eve									\$ -
Kensington - First St John	\$ 362.37	\$ 64.50	\$ 22.00			\$ 50.00			\$ 498.87
Kinsley - Our Redeemer	\$ 210.17	\$ 100.00							\$ 310.17
Lakin - Immanuel	\$ 140.00	\$ 147.00	\$ 16.00						\$ 303.00
Larned - Grace	\$ 129.85	\$ 19.50	\$ 6.00						\$ 155.35
Latimer - Zion	\$ 136.00	\$ 160.50	\$ 18.00						\$ 314.50
Lawrence - Immanuel	\$ 200.00	\$ 221.00	\$ 16.00						\$ 437.00
Lawrence - Redeemer	\$ 1,332.99	\$ 220.00	\$ 16.00				\$ 100.00		\$ 1,668.99
Leavenworth - St Paul Ladies Aid	\$ 820.89	\$ 72.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 64.00		\$ 50.00			\$ 1,016.89
Leavenworth - St Paul Ladies Aux		\$ 50.00	\$ 6.00						\$ 56.00



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Leavenworth - Trinity	\$ 475.00	\$ 165.00	\$ 16.00				\$ 252.00		\$ 908.00
Leawood - Lord of Life	\$ 74.04								\$ 74.04
Liberal - Grace Dorcas	\$ 369.24	\$ 110.00	\$ 16.00						\$ 495.24
Lincoln - St. John	\$ 1,132.07	\$ 147.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 10.00				\$ 1,405.07
Lincolnville - St. Johns	\$ 770.46	\$ 160.00	\$ 22.00						\$ 952.46
Linn - Immanuel	\$ 357.45	\$ 87.50	\$ 16.00	\$ 60.00					\$ 520.95
Linn - Zion	\$ 442.47	\$ 126.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 20.00		\$ 381.00		\$ 1,010.47
Louisburg - Christ Our Savior	\$ 268.57	\$ 160.00	\$ 22.00						\$ 450.57
Lyons - Grace	\$ 708.90	\$ 70.00	\$ 6.00						\$ 784.90
Manhattan - St. Luke's	\$ 4,715.07	\$ 275.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 186.51		\$ 20.00			\$ 5,212.58
Marion - Our Savior	\$ 234.13	\$ 14.00	\$ 16.00						\$ 264.13
Marysville - Mt. Calvary	\$ 76.64								\$ 76.64
McFarland - Trinity	\$ 415.42	\$ 165.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 153.00					\$ 749.42
McFarland - Trinity TWEBS	\$ 56.95								\$ 56.95
McPherson - Grace	\$ 651.75			\$ 53.00					\$ 704.75
Meade - St. John	\$ 560.88	\$ 165.00	\$ 16.00				\$ 20.00		\$ 761.88
Medicine Lodge - Trinity	\$ 200.00	\$ 27.00	\$ 28.00						\$ 255.00
Mission - Trinity	\$ 940.60	\$ 110.00	\$ 16.00						\$ 1,066.60
Moundridge - St. John	\$ 439.43	\$ 110.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 25.00					\$ 590.43
Nashville - St. John's		\$ 205.00	\$ 12.00						\$ 217.00
Natoma - Peace	\$ 780.75	\$ 153.00	\$ 16.00			\$ 65.00			\$ 1,014.75
Netawaka - Immanuel	\$ 602.33	\$ 99.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 82.71					\$ 800.04
Newton - Zion	\$ 1,333.97	\$ 160.00	\$ 22.00						\$ 1,515.97
Norton - Immanuel	\$ 860.10	\$ 110.00	\$ 16.00						\$ 986.10
Nortonville - St. Matthew	\$ 1,150.72	\$ 160.00	\$ 22.00						\$ 1,332.72
Oakley - Immanuel	\$ 288.70	\$ 220.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 100.00					\$ 624.70
Oberlin - St. Johns	\$ 1,219.50	\$ 220.00	\$ 16.00						\$ 1,455.50
Offerle - Zion	\$ 721.16	\$ 130.00	\$ 16.00				\$ 56.00		\$ 923.16
Olathe - Beautiful Savior	\$ 2,303.87	\$ 330.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 183.00		\$ 561.90			\$ 3,394.77
Olathe - Redeemer	\$ 3,192.80	\$ 325.00	\$ 12.00			\$ 63.00			\$ 3,592.80
Ottawa - Faith	\$ 557.08	\$ 64.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 100.00					\$ 741.08
Overland Park - Bethany		\$ 260.00	\$ 6.00						\$ 266.00
Overland Park - Christ		\$ 32.50	\$ 6.00						\$ 38.50
Palmer - St. Johns	\$ 1,467.98	\$ 313.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 111.46			\$ 221.26		\$ 2,129.70
Paola - First	\$ 3,061.24	\$ 660.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 267.00		\$ 60.00	\$ 125.00		\$ 4,189.24
Parsons - Trinity	\$ 291.31								\$ 291.31
Phillipsburg - First	\$ 745.59	\$ 28.00	\$ 16.00		\$ 150.00		\$ 82.52		\$ 1,022.11
Pittsburg - Zion	\$ 972.04	\$ 220.00	\$ 16.00			\$ 75.00	\$ 50.00		\$ 1,333.04



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Plainville - First	\$ 400.39	\$ 28.00	\$ 16.00				\$ 30.00		\$ 474.39
Pratt - Ascension WinGS	\$ 1,066.74	\$ 180.00	\$ 16.00						\$ 1,262.74
Preston - St Paul's Ladies Aid	\$ 812.46	\$ 165.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 50.00					\$ 1,043.46
Preston - St Paul Bethany Guild	\$ 517.28	\$ 165.00	\$ 16.00			\$ 400.00	\$ 75.76		\$ 1,174.04
Sabetha - First	\$ 1,025.81	\$ 220.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 152.00					\$ 1,413.81
Salina - Christ The King	\$ 1,676.26	\$ 135.00	\$ 16.00			\$ 522.91			\$ 2,350.17
Salina - Trinity	\$ 1,809.70	\$ 1,220.00	\$ 22.00	\$ 95.00		\$ 131.00			\$ 3,277.70
Shawnee - Hope	\$ 2,540.18	\$ 400.00	\$ 16.00						\$ 2,956.18
Strong City - Grace	\$ 841.60	\$ 120.00	\$ 16.00						\$ 977.60
Sylvan Grove - Bethlehem	\$ 510.93	\$ 240.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 165.00		\$ 100.00	\$ 125.00		\$ 1,156.93
Tampa - St. Johns	\$ 1,197.93								\$ 1,197.93
Topeka - Christ	\$ 2,946.79	\$ 125.00	\$ 6.00						\$ 3,077.79
Topeka - Faith	\$ 3,723.62	\$ 563.00	\$ 16.00			\$ 270.00	\$ 90.00		\$ 4,662.62
Topeka - Prince of Peace	\$ 927.45	\$ 110.00	\$ 16.00						\$ 1,053.45
Topeka - St. Johns	\$ 2,498.74	\$ 440.00	\$ 16.00			\$ 300.00			\$ 3,254.74
Ulysses - Grace Joy Circle									\$ -
Vassar - Zion	\$ 1,937.98	\$ 116.00	\$ 16.00						\$ 2,069.98
Wamego - Mt. Calvary	\$ 1,351.80	\$ 220.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 49.00		\$ 825.00	\$ 258.99		\$ 2,720.79
Wathena - Christ	\$ 391.57	\$ 87.50	\$ 16.00						\$ 495.07
Wellington - Calvary Mary	\$ 199.24								\$ 199.24
Wheaton - St. Luke	\$ 799.08	\$ 245.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 22.00			\$ 25.00		\$ 1,107.08
Wichita - Ascension	\$ 3,954.78	\$ 330.00	\$ 16.00			\$ 25.00	\$ 100.00		\$ 4,425.78
Wichita - Bethany	\$ 1,151.62	\$ 245.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 30.00					\$ 1,442.62
Wichita - Holy Cross	\$ 2,814.78	\$ 490.00	\$ 36.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 225.00	\$ 450.00		\$ 4,415.78
Wichita - Immanuel	\$ 926.40		\$ 6.00						\$ 932.40
Wichita - Risen Savior	\$ 1,992.88	\$ 320.00	\$ 22.00						\$ 2,334.88
Wichita - St. Andrews	\$ 1,136.22	\$ 75.00	\$ 6.00						\$ 1,217.22
Wichita - Trinity	\$ 342.16	\$ 137.00	\$ 22.00						\$ 501.16
Winfield - Trinity	\$ 2,145.23	\$ 385.00	\$ 16.00			\$ 30.00			\$ 2,576.23
Zone - Herington	\$ 298.56								\$ 298.56
Zone - Hutchinson	\$ 789.84								\$ 789.84
Zone - Kansas City CrossRoads	\$ 253.07					\$ 151.00			\$ 404.07
Zone - Lincoln	\$ 597.21								\$ 597.21
Zone - Linn	\$ 195.05					\$ 50.00			\$ 245.05
Zone - Manhattan	\$ 712.44								\$ 712.44
Zone - Northeast									\$ -



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Zone - Northwest	\$ 720.88								\$ 720.88
Zone - Southeast	\$ 505.96								\$ 505.96
Zone - Southwest	\$ 388.46								\$ 388.46
Zone - Topeka	\$ 1,081.95						\$ 20.00		\$ 1,101.95
Zone - Wichita	\$ 1,536.99					\$ 184.00	\$ 100.00		\$ 1,820.99
Individual Donations	\$ 108.22			\$ 90.00	\$ 190.00	\$ 7,116.00	\$ 2,655.00		\$ 10,159.22
2018 KAOL	\$ 188.16					\$ 70.00			\$ 258.16
Return of Hotel & Meals								\$ 300.25	\$ 300.25
2019 KAOL	\$ 734.25								\$ 734.25
Return of Hotel & Meals								\$ 1,390.50	\$ 1,390.50
Thrivent Choice						\$ 2,402.00			\$ 2,402.00
Donate Your Change									
Kansas 20%						\$ 27.62			\$ 27.62
God's Gracious Gift Fund									
LCEF transfer								\$ 5,918.00	\$ 5,918.00
Student Financial Aid									
LCEF Transfer								\$ 6,900.00	\$ 6,900.00
Student Aid Returned Funds								\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00
Leader Development									
LCEF Fund								\$ 4,074.60	\$ 4,074.60
Leader Development Fund									
Interest Income/Bank Rebate								\$ 182.07	\$ 182.07
LWML Store								\$ 12,234.92	\$ 12,234.92
2018 LWML KS District Convent									
Return of Start Up Fee								\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
Convention Excess								\$ 2,363.76	\$ 2,363.76
Convention Offerings	\$ 205.00						\$ 4,707.84	\$ 8,843.00	\$ 13,755.84
2019 Christian Life Retreat								\$ 8,081.00	\$ 8,081.00
Miscellaneous									
Herrington Retreat Center Refund								\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00
Pass Through (Ingathering Cash)								\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
2019 Bus Mobile								\$ 24,182.60	\$ 24,182.60
TOTAL	\$ 141,691.86	\$ 23,350.00	\$ 1,842.25	\$ 4,372.62	\$ 770.00	\$ 14,536.59	\$ 10,613.27	\$ 77,670.70	\$ 274,847.29



MEMORIALS AND JOY GIFTS 2018-2020

District Mission Grants (continued)	
Name:	In Memory or in Honor of:
Nancy Jo Koenig	Marcia Blumberg
Nancy Wesche	Marcia Blumberg
Phyllis Amick	Marcia Blumberg
Phyllis Jordan	Marcia Blumberg
Sharon Miles	Marcia Blumberg
Sharon Withrow	Marcia Blumberg
First - Paola LWML	Margie Smith
Elaine Engelman	Mary Lassman
First - Paola LWML	Merle Lietz
First - Paola LWML	Millie Burk
Immanuel - Ellsworth	Nina Hysell

God's Gracious Gift Fund	
Name:	In Memory or in Honor of:
John and Mary Schmidt (3)	Grandchildren: Adam, Cody, Grace, Brady, Lucas, Abigail, Samantha, Brooklyn, Lacy, Elizabeth
Brenda Piester	Alice Zimmerman
Risen Savior - Basehor	Alice Zimmerman
Eden Keefe	Barb & John Geuy 50th Anniversary
Pat and Elsie Cleary	Barb & John Geuy 50th Anniversary
Brenda Piester	Barbara Teske
David and Elaine Engelman	Barbara Teske
Earl and Jolene Stackhouse	Barbara Teske
Esther Ideker	Barbara Teske
Irma Quade	Barbara Teske
John and Mary Schmidt	Barbara Teske
First - Paola LWML	Beverly Helin
Jimalene Cales	Carol Mitchell
Brenda Piester	Cathi Clark
John and Mary Schmidt	Charles Kolterman
First St John - Kensington (3)	Cheryl Synoground
Risen Savior - Basehor	Clara Louise Whitaker
Brenda Piester	Dan Grimm
Mary Schmidt	Dan Grimm
Faith - Topeka	Don Kalyhof
Brenda Piester	Don Runyon
John and Mary Schmidt	Don Runyon
Peace - Natoma	Doris Maier
Larry and Velma Bass	Edie Jorns
St Luke's - Manhattan	Edie Jorns and Doris Gaul

District Mission Grants	
Name:	In Memory or in Honor of:
First - Paola LWML	Anita Ward
Dennis and Greta Stewart	Barbara Teske
Elaine Clements	Barbara Teske
Gary and Joan Kolterman	Barbara Teske
Jolene Crocantes	Barbara Teske
Marcia Labbe and Ed Tucker	Barbara Teske
Marie Kolterman	Barbara Teske
Merle and Jean Kaiser	Barbara Teske
Orlene Kohn	Barbara Teske
St Paul's Ladies Aid - Duluth	Barbara Teske
Mary Ann Westfahl	Betty Miller
First - Paola LWML (3)	Ella Hinson
First - Paola LWML (2)	Glenda Moore
Faith - Topeka	Harold and JoAnn Burke
First - Paola LWML (2)	Helen Webster
First - Paola LWML	Jane Chronister
First - Paola LWML	Jane Drugg
First - Paola LWML	JoAnn Ashburn
First - Paola LWML	Judy Carlson
First - Paola LWML	Kathy Loving
First - Paola LWML	Loree Gardner
Ann Ross	Marcia Blumberg
Betty Amey	Marcia Blumberg
Carole Jones	Marcia Blumberg
Carolyn Kime	Marcia Blumberg
Dana Gythiel	Marcia Blumberg
Delores Quasebarth	Marcia Blumberg
Donna Bradbury	Marcia Blumberg
Edyth Banks	Marcia Blumberg
Ellen Ketteman	Marcia Blumberg
G. P. Hensley	Marcia Blumberg
Glennyce Knoles	Marcia Blumberg
Irma Quade	Marcia Blumberg
Judith Ellsworth	Marcia Blumberg
Judith Schroeder	Marcia Blumberg
Larry Chadwich	Marcia Blumberg
Leslie Beers	Marcia Blumberg
Linda Schroer	Marcia Blumberg
Maria Keil	Marcia Blumberg
Mary Dohl	Marcia Blumberg
Michele Murray	Marcia Blumberg



MEMORIALS AND JOY GIFTS 2018-2020

God's Gracious Gift Fund (continued): Name: In Memory or in Honor of:	
Faith - Topeka	Eileen Lemwetter
Shelly Keller	Eida Chegwidan
John and Mary Schmidt	Elmer & Illa Geve 70th Anniversary
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Brenda Piester	Franklyn Kandt
Debbie Lehman	Franklyn Kandt
Merle and Jean Kaiser	Franklyn Kandt
Arlyce Klipp	Garrett Klipp
Brenda Piester	Garrett Klipp
Linn Zone	Garrett Klipp
Arlyce Klipp	Gertrude Endorf
Linn Zone	Gertrude Endorf
Lynnette Scheele	Gertrude Endorf
First - Paola LWML (3)	Glenda Moore
First - Paola LWML (2)	Helen Webster
Kathryn Richard	Hilma Hoffman
First - Paola LWML (2)	Jane Chronister
First - Paola LWML	Jane Drugg
First - Paola LWML	JoAnn Ashburn
Glenda Moore	Kathy Lovig
Brenda Piester	Lavonne Kmiec
Elaine and David Engelman	Lavonne Kmiec
John and Mary Schmidt	Lavonne Kmiec
Kathryn Richard	Lavonne Kmiec
Risen Savior - Basehor	Lil Hepler
Brenda Piester	Lillian Krusemark
St Paul - Preston	Lillian Krusemark
Brenda Piester	Lois Trimpe Hope
Ascension - Wichita	Luella Snelling
Peace - Natoma	Margaret Chrisler
A Henry and Kathy Gier	Marlene Lorenz
Angeline and William Wiese	Marlene Lorenz
Audrey Redford	Marlene Lorenz
Barbara Volk	Marlene Lorenz
Bethlehem Lutheran, Aiken, SC	Marlene Lorenz
Betty Kruse	Marlene Lorenz
Brenda and Ron Piester	Marlene Lorenz
Bruce and Kara Erickson	Marlene Lorenz
C J and Sharon Cross	Marlene Lorenz
Camilla Larson	Marlene Lorenz
Carol Pearce	Marlene Lorenz
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Cathy Vogts	Marlene Lorenz
Curtis and Elinor Kenyon	Marlene Lorenz
Curtis and Sherri Conrad	Marlene Lorenz
David and Charlene Rupp	Marlene Lorenz
Debbie Lehman	Marlene Lorenz
Delmar and Irma Quade	Marlene Lorenz
Elaine Engelman	Marlene Lorenz
Elizabeth and Cecil Westerman	Marlene Lorenz
Errol and Nancy Landman	Marlene Lorenz
Esther Ideker	Marlene Lorenz
Gil and Kathy Livo	Marlene Lorenz
Hutcheson Zone	Marlene Lorenz
James Cleary (2)	Marlene Lorenz
Janice Russell	Marlene Lorenz
Jay and Jana Holle	Marlene Lorenz
Jeff Stickle	Marlene Lorenz
Jo Ann Hoggatt	Marlene Lorenz
John and Barbara Geuy	Marlene Lorenz
Joyce Lehner	Marlene Lorenz
Judy Carlson	Marlene Lorenz
Judy Henry	Marlene Lorenz
Kim Burdett	Marlene Lorenz
Larry and Rebeca Hillman	Marlene Lorenz
Larry and Velma Bass	Marlene Lorenz
Leon and Betty Amey	Marlene Lorenz
Leroy and Nellie Quade	Marlene Lorenz
Linda and Thomas Stanton	Marlene Lorenz
Liz Stewart	Marlene Lorenz
Lloyd and Rhonda Kane	Marlene Lorenz
Marlene Ernsting	Marlene Lorenz
Mary Schmidt	Marlene Lorenz
Melva Wulf	Marlene Lorenz
Melvin and Carol Bauck	Marlene Lorenz
Melvin and Frances Wehmeier	Marlene Lorenz
Merle and Jean Kaiser	Marlene Lorenz
Norval and Dallas Harris	Marlene Lorenz
Paul Peterson	Marlene Lorenz
Phillip and Carolyn Fishburn	Marlene Lorenz
Rebecca Snelling	Marlene Lorenz
Renard Rosenhagen	Marlene Lorenz
Richard and Margaret Walker	Marlene Lorenz



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Brenda Piester	To honor Judy Carlson in memory of Lucas Peterson
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St Paul's - Ellsworth	Judy Duryee
Faith - Topeka	Lavonna Creviston
Ascension - Wichita	Luella Snelling
Pastor Robert and Gayle Grimm	Merle & Nora 70th Anniversary
Faith - Topeka	Orville Lesslie

Student Financial Aid	
Name:	In Memory or in Honor of:
Elaine Engelman	Don Runyon
Elaine Engelman	Franklyn Kandt
Judy Carlson	Franklyn Kandt
Kathryn Richard	Hilma Hoffman
Irma Quade	Lavonne Kmiec
John and Mary Schmidt	Lavonne Kmiec
Kansas District Executive Comm.	LCMS Joint Seminary Fund in honor of President Lange
Carol Nix	Marcia Blumberg
Carol Nix	Mary Stigge
St John's - Lincoln	Mildred Behrens

God's Gracious Gift Fund (continued):	
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Richard and Sharon Lehner	Marlene Lorenz
Roger Zerener	Marlene Lorenz
Sandra and Timothy Gerhardt	Marlene Lorenz
Scott and Martha Lehner	Marlene Lorenz
Shelly Keller	Marlene Lorenz
Shirley and Marilyn Keller	Marlene Lorenz
St Paul's - Cheney	Marlene Lorenz
St Paul's - Haven	Marlene Lorenz
Tammy Taylor	Marlene Lorenz
Thomas and Judith Twietmeyer	Marlene Lorenz
Tony and Connie Brauer	Marlene Lorenz
Wanda Wiechman	Marlene Lorenz
Wayne and Carol Kempke	Marlene Lorenz
First - Paola LWML (2)	Martha Brunkhardt
Donna Briggeman	Mary Schmidt for chairing 75th Convention
St Paul's - Fairview	Maxine Brockhoff
John and Mary Schmidt	Merle & Nora Lietz 70th Anniversary
John and Mary Schmidt (2)	Merle Lietz
Brenda Piester	Mildred Seyfert
Delmar and Irma Quade	Muriel Green
Brad and Susan Brunkow	Nathan Schepmann
Rev. Dan and Katy Gifford	Nathan Schepmann
Ron and Brenda Piester	Nathan Schepmann
Faith - Topeka	Nellie Rathke
Shelly Keller	Neoma Thaumert - Baer
Brenda Piester	Nina Borgstadter
John and Mary Schmidt	Nina Borgstadter
Shelly Keller	Nina Borgstadter
Faith - Topeka	Orville Lesslie
Ralph and Janet Crosby	Peggy Giesen
Faith - Topeka	Robert Eggold
Larry and Velma Bass	Rosalyn Borchers
Faith - Topeka	Sandra Nelson-May
Donna Briggeman	Shelly Keller for "Beautiful Feet"
Faith - Topeka	Vic Hamersky
First - Paola LWML	Virginia Glaze



Lutheran Women's Missionary League Kansas District

LOGOS AND BANNERS

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BE THOU MY VISION



“LET US FIX OUR EYES ON JESUS...” HEBREWS 12:2
LWML KANSAS DISTRICT – 2020

Convention Logo:

Because the Convention year is 2020, the convention logo represents perfect 20/20 vision—focused on Jesus.

Designed by Elaine Engelman, and submitted by the Southeast Zone, Elaine is the current Vice President of Organizational Resources and is a member of Zion Lutheran Church and the Zion Lutheran Ladies Circle in Chanute, Kansas.

Convention Banner:

This 2020 convention banner, titled "Be Thou My Vision", shows the faces of Lutheran Women in Mission focusing their eyes on the cross. They know the cross of Jesus is their salvation, and Jesus shows them how to live in joyful service to Him.

The banner was designed by Alli Bauck, member of the Eve Circle in the Kansas City CrossRoads Zone. She attends Beautiful Savior Lutheran in Olathe.

The banner was crafted by Kathie Thurman, Kansas District LWML Store Manager. Kathie is a member of the Bethany Guild, St. Paul Lutheran Church – Preston, in the Hutchinson Zone.

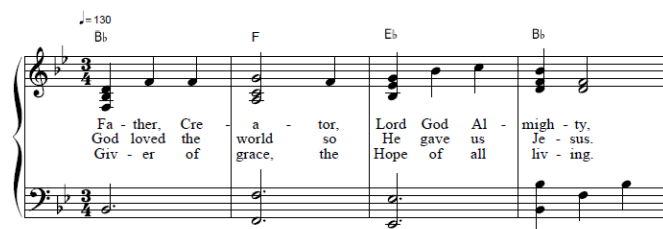
Convention Song: “Be Thou My Vision”

Shelly Keller composed the convention song, “Be Thou My Vision”. After Shelly composed “Beautiful Feet” for the 2018 convention, she also wanted to write one for this convention. In extraordinarily little time, she had written the words and composed the music to our convention theme song. She received the song copyright in 2019 for “Be Thou My Vision.”

BE THOU MY VISION

2020 LWML Kansas District Convention Theme Song
Based on Hebrews 12:2

Music and Lyrics by Richelle Keller





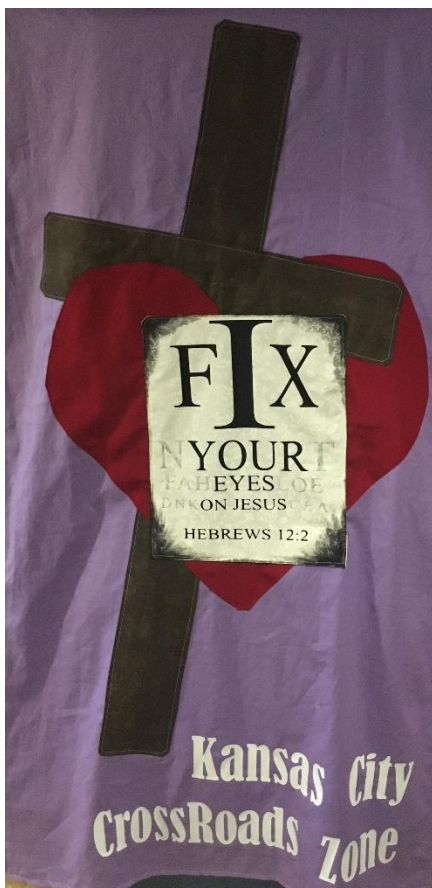
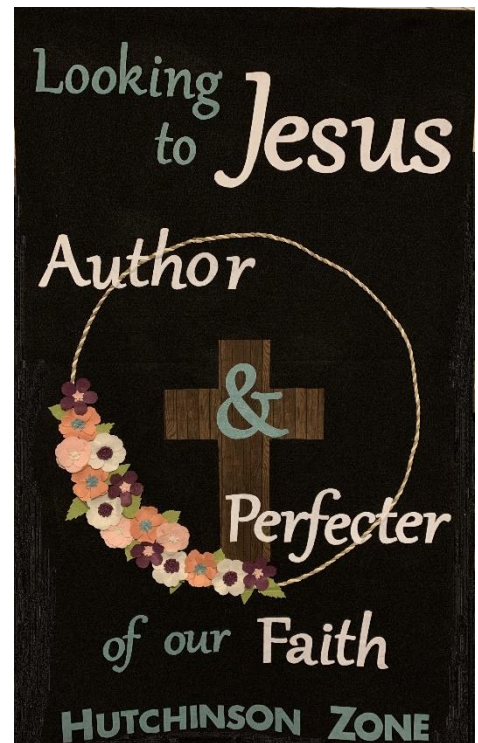
Herington Zone:

We used the theme verse from Hebrews 12:2 "Let us fix our eyes on Jesus" to show a mother and daughter looking upward to the cross where Christ showed His great love for us by dying and rising again to save us from our sins and as reminder of our ultimate goal of being with Him for eternity.

The banner was made by Ginger Sanders, Karen Schoenbeck, Laura Knaus and Donna Ascher from Faith, Abilene.

Hutchinson Zone:

The Hutchinson Zone banner was made by Jill Kruse, Immanuel-Canton, with design input from Elise Lorenz-Cleary, St. Paul, Cheney. The cross is at the center, reminding us that we focus and look to Jesus. The verse reminds us that Jesus is the alpha and omega, beginning and end, author/founder, and finisher/perfecter. The circle, with no beginning or end, symbolizes this. The color selection and the added flowers are cosmetic to bring everything together in a pretty way.

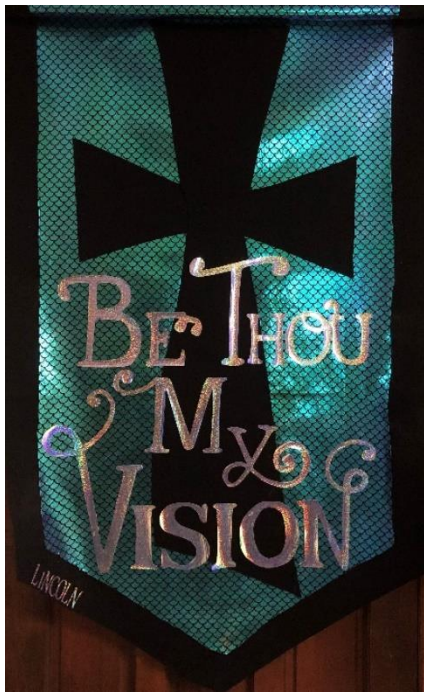


Kansas City CrossRoads Zone:

We all want 20/20 vision when we take an eye test. Our banner represents that perfect vision of Jesus, as we go about our daily lives. The heart represents Jesus' love for us, and the cross represents His forgiveness of our sins. As we "Fix Our Eyes on Jesus", we will continue to do His work and to serve Him with gladness.

The banner was constructed by Cindy Meade, Emily Meade, and Amanda West, all of Paola, KS.





Lincoln Zone:

The cross represents our Faith, our Hope, and our Love for our Savior Jesus Christ, so that we may share with others the "Vision of Eternity"

The banner was designed and made by Jeanne and Jenna Haase, members of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Ellsworth, KS.

Linn Zone:

Linn Zone's banner features the theme "Be Thou My Vision, O Lord of My Heart" with a cross behind the words. This reminds us to keep our eyes on the cross where Jesus died for our sins and then rose on Easter in order to save us and take us to heaven. The four cornerstones are called "The King's Crown", reminding us of the Bible passage from Revelations 2:10 - "Be faithful, even to the point of death, and I will give you the crown of life." By reading God's Word with 20/20 vision we will have the best vision and will be keeping the Lord in our hearts. The banner was made by ladies from Trinity, Hanover.



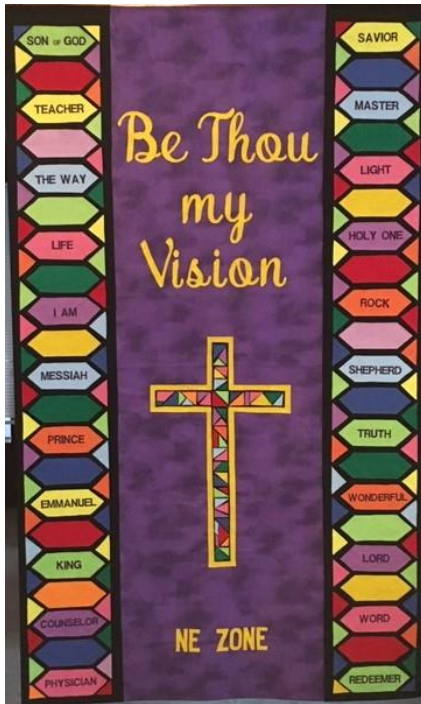
Manhattan Zone:

As looking through our eyes, we should see Jesus as a friend, protector, and someone that is always there for us.

Dying on the cross so that our sins are forgiven, Jesus is there for us no matter what our lives are going through—good and bad. When I see Him, I thank Him for being there and for helping me through all of the family problems, death of my husband, and the death my best friend. Now, as life just keeps on changing, I need Him more than ever.

The banner was designed and made by Judy Kolterman, member of St. Paul's Lutheran—Duluth, of Manhattan Zone.





Northeast Zone:

In the center of the banner is the cross because first and foremost, Jesus needs to be in the center of our lives. We need to fix our eyes on Jesus! Some of the names of Jesus are on the side “stained glass windows.” It does not matter if we look to Jesus as our Lord, Shepherd, King, Physician, or Life, He is there for us! He is our vision, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.

The banner was designed and made by Joyce Duitsman, the embroidered names were made by Deb Jewell, and the letters were made by Liz Hofacker.

All are from Atchison in the Northeast Zone.

Northwest Zone:

Christ, our vision, is depicted over a “stained glass” background reminding us of the churches in which we worship Him. Our vision of His life and redeeming work is from His Holy Word as depicted by the open Bible.

Banner design: Kathleen Eilert from ideas of the Northwest Zone executive committee and Immanuel, Oakley LWML. Kathleen also made the banner.



Southeast Zone:

The banner was designed and made by Marcia Bosse. We need to put our focus on Jesus and the cross especially as we lead and instruct our children. Marcia Bosse is the president of the Independence LWML Society.





Southwest Zone:

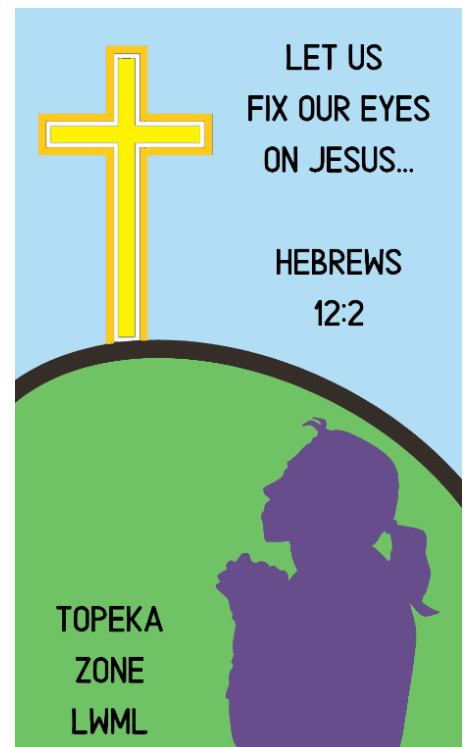
The vision for our zone banner is for rural churches which are struggling to stay open. With the plan to put Trinity – Garden City, Immanuel – Lakin, and Grace – Ulysses all under "TIG", a new LCMS partnership for rural churches, this concept became the design for Southwest Zone banner.

Corrine Adams, Donna Bitter, Mary Jo Schultz, and Bernie Reetz all worked on it.

Topeka Zone:

A woman looks upward toward the cross as she prays, fixing her eyes on Jesus. The woman is portrayed in LWML purple, and the cross in bright white and gold for Christ, our King and Savior.

-- Banner designed by Mel Lang (Christ Lutheran, Topeka, KS)
 -- Assembled by Glenna Lemke, LaJean Rinker, and Arloa Tichenor (Christ Lutheran, Topeka KS)



Wichita Zone:

As we live in this sin-darkened and fractured world we keep our eyes focused on Jesus – on the cross which gives us grace in this world and on the glory of eternity. He saved us—which stirs our hearts to share the Good News of His grace with others. That is our vision.

This banner was designed and constructed by Connilee Myers with lettering assistance from Sara Schubert; both are members of Holy Cross – Wichita.



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**OTHER INFORMATION
FROM THE
ORIGINAL CONVENTION
APRIL 17-19, 2020**

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CONVENTION MISSION-IN-ACTION and INTEREST SESSION SPEAKERS

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Rev. Dr. Robert and Kristi Roegner
Apple of His Eye Mission Society
Tel Aviv, Israel

Also:
Pastors' and Men's Luncheon
Christian Life Breakfast

<https://www.appleofhiseye.org/>



Rev. Dr. Steven Hokana
Chaplain (Lieutenant Colonel) USA (Ret.)
BCC, D.A.A.E.T.S
Assistant Director, Ministry to the Armed Forces,
The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod

<https://www.lcms.org/ministry-to-the-armed-forces>



BANQUET INSPIRATIONAL SPEAKER

Devin Henderson – Entertainer/Comedian
LOOK FOR DEVIN IN OVERLAND PARK IN 2022!

Info: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NqY6sWTR5w4&feature=youtu.be>



CONVENTION INTEREST SESSION SPEAKERS

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"Coffee Conversations: Relational Evangelism"
at Fairmount Ministries, Wichita, KS

Paige Edgington, DCE, Director of Outreach and Coffeehouse Manager, and Jenn Eickman, Director of Development

<https://www.fairmountministries.org/>



Lights for Christ, Zacapa, Guatemala—
National LWML Mission Grant # 8, \$95,000

Linda Tape, Holy Cross Lutheran-Wichita

<https://holycrosslutheran.net/guatemala-partnership/>

Passageways, Ltd.—Jennifer Garrison,
Ascension Lutheran-Wichita

<https://www.passagewaysltd.org/>



"Building Faith through
Family Prayers"—

Rev. Dr. Rocco and Janine Mallardi;
Messiah Lutheran — Hays

<http://www.messiahlutheranhays.com/>



CONVENTION INTEREST SESSION SPEAKERS



"Preventing Death by Suicide"— Rev. Dr. Richard "Rick" Marrs
Concordia Seminary, St. Louis

<https://www.csl.edu/directory/richard-marrs/>

International Friendship Center—
Lynette Bosch, IFC Coordinator
Holy Cross Lutheran-Wichita

<https://holycrosslutheran.net/>



LEADER DEVELOPMENT SESSIONS

THANK YOU to these officers and Individuals who had Leader Development sessions prepared for your learning. Some of these will be presented at the Kansas Assembly of Leaders; other information will be shared at Zone events this fall or in the coming issues of *The Kansas Sonshine*. We thank them for their willingness to serve and to share their knowledge and skills with you. Please contact any of them if you have questions!

Basic Protocol and Structure: Business + Bylaws = Efficiency

Vice President of Organizational Resources Elaine Engelman and Committee members

Email Groups and Creative Approaches to Connecting with Lutheran Women in Mission

Linda Kootz, Esther Circle—Trinity Lutheran LWML, Salina, KS

Heart-to-Heart Sisters

Heart-to-Heart Sisters District Leader, Sherri Rose; and Committee member Bernie Reetz

Preserving Your LWML History

LWML Kansas District Archivist-Historians: Esther Ideker, Amanda Engelman, and Marie Roth

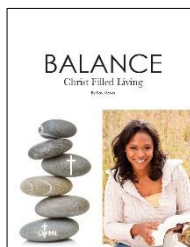
Purple Feud

Vice President of Christian Life Allison Lehmann and Committee members



BIBLE STUDY SAMPLERS

THANK YOU to these LWML leaders for their willingness to share Bible study ideas with you. If you have any questions about these studies, please contact them. Their contact information can be found on the Kansas LWML website. Bible studies are available through LWML or CPH.



Leader: Allison Lehmann

Title: *Balance—Christ Filled Living*

Author: Kay Meyer

Title: *Balance—Christ Filled Family Living*

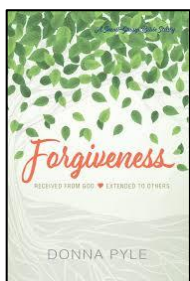
Author: Coreen Jander

Title: *Balance—Christ Filled Family Living with Adolescence*

Author: Dr. Mary Ann Waldon

Publisher: LWML

Do you ever feel like your life is out of balance? Maybe you have experienced changes or challenges in your life, you have a growing family, or are facing the struggles of adolescent children. These three stand-alone, six-lesson Bible Studies can be used in a group setting, with a partner, or individually. *Christ Filled Living* explores how knowing Jesus, prayer, encouragement, and service can give our lives balance, and how we can find balance when life becomes overwhelming. *Christ Filled Family Living* causes us to realize our lives are constantly shifting within our community, identity, special needs and in marriage. *Christ Filled Family Living with Adolescence* examines the struggles young adults and parents face such as peer pressure, technology influences, emotional influences, disabilities, and becoming adults. We will explore a short session of each study and share ideas on how we can find balance in our daily walks.



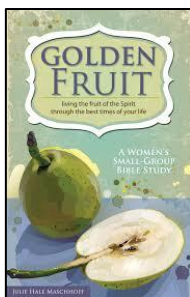
Leader: Ella Schempp

Title: *Forgiveness – Received from God ♥ Extended to Others*

Author: Donna Snow Pyle

Publisher: Concordia Publishing House

Donna states, "Forgiveness is always personal. It is incredibly difficult to do. But it is never optional. When someone has offended us, the temptation to not forgive is great. But the roots of unforgiveness and bitterness can grow deep in the human soul. Left alone, unforgiveness produces bitter fruit that shows itself in angry thoughts, words, and deeds. Eventually, it will destroy us from the inside out."



Leader: Kathryn Richard

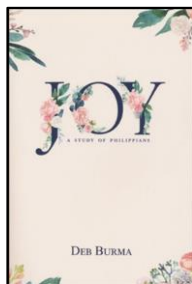
Title: *Golden Fruit: Nine Lessons about the Fruit of the Spirit*

Author: Julie Hale Maschhoff

Publisher: Concordia Publishing House

We all have various roles to fill—daughter, wife, mother, sister, friend, volunteer, employee, leader, etc. This nine-session Bible study helps the Christian woman put these roles, characteristics, and emotions into perspective. Each session focuses on one fruit of the Spirit and considers how the lives and stories of nine biblical women (Esther, Dorcas, Ruth, Elizabeth, and others) convey that characteristic. You will see how God is at work in your life too and how His promise of salvation and peace through Jesus are fully yours all the time. Each "lesson" ends with a "challenge of the week" and personal journal page.





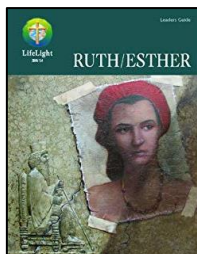
Leader: Janice Cundiff

Title: *Joy—A Study of Philippians*

Author: Deb Burma

Publisher: Concordia Publishing House

This eight-week Bible study is divided into five study sessions, forty sessions total. This study reviews the book of Philippians verse by verse. Each session features a Joy theme “Joy in ...” and how you possess this joy, verses from Philippians, examining a portion of Paul’s letter with other verses in scripture, four daily questions with answers in the back of the book, and a daily challenge to apply to your life. Deb Burma is also the author of “Stepping Out,” “Living a Chocolate Life,” and “Beautiful Feet.”



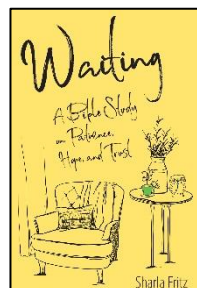
Leader: Rev. Robert Grimm

Title: *LifeLight: Ruth/Esther*

Author: Gary Dunker

Publisher: Concordia Publishing House

Two books of the Bible have been named after women. Both Ruth and Esther are persons of faith who are highlighted in these Old Testament books. The LifeLight (C) series from CPH does a marvelous job helping participants to think through issues of faith and duty, which have great implications for us today. The nine-session course encourages private study of the Bible text, group discussion, and offers leadership for in-depth thoughts of these Scriptures.



Leader: Elaine Engelman

Title: *Waiting: A Bible Study on Patience, Hope and Trust*

Author: Sharla Fritz

Publisher: Concordia Publishing House

I HATE TO WAIT, and that is what intrigued me about the title of this Bible Study. Author Sharla Fritz walks with us through the lives of eight Biblical women who give us examples of waiting—some good and some not so good—but all with life lessons that can help us grow in patience, hope and trust.

Especially for all “first-timers” to the convention and all Young Woman Representatives, however, ALL are welcome!



Leaders: Jill Lowe and Special Focus Ministries Committee

Title: *Taking It to the Streets*

Author: LWML – 2017-2019 Gospel Outreach Committee

Publisher: 2018 Assembly of Leaders

<http://www.lwml.org/aol>

First-timers, YWRs, and anyone wanting to learn more about LWML, join us for a trip down the “streets” of LWML. We will show you how Women in Mission travel through Bible Study, servant events, and mission projects. We will stop by the “Mite Museum” to find out more about mites. We will journey through many products offered by LWML seeing sites that will Engage, Encourage, Equip, and bring Enjoyment. Reserve your space on the “Taking it to the Streets” adventure today!



Thank You!

A Convention of this size is not put together overnight—it takes a lot of planning and a dedicated effort by many. For this 38th Biennial Convention of the LWML Kansas District, there are many to thank for every meeting attended, mile driven, email read and responded to, each phone call made or text sent (and for doing it all again as the convention was rescheduled to a new date).

Unfortunately, we will not see the work of their labors or be able to thank them in person as the Topeka convention was finally canceled. STILL, we thank them for tirelessly “serving with gladness” and being willing to ensure that the convention would be a joy-filled, Christ-centered, mission-focused experience for each attendee.

Our sincere thanks go out to:

LWML Kansas District Executive Committee and Zone Presidents

LWML Kansas District Committee Chairmen and Committee Members and Special Appointed Personnel

Convention Chairman:	Cathi Temple, Topeka Zone
Convention Co-Chairmen:	Debbie Jenne, Herington Zone; and Judy Ruckman, Lincoln Zone
Host Zone Presidents:	LaJean Rinker, Topeka Zone Donna Ascher, Herington Zone; Beverly Wiese, Lincoln Zone
Convention Secretary:	Sherri Rose
Convention Treasurer:	Marj Aufdemberge
Convention Registrar:	Barbara Butts
Printing and Publicity:	Brenda Piester and Shelly Keller
Accompanist:	Shelly Keller

Convention Committee Chairmen—Thank you to these women and their committees for all of their behind the scenes work to “be ready” for the convention!

Banners:	Amber Kuntz
Decorations:	Maria Temple
Exhibits and Displays:	Sharon Kolanowski
Hospitality:	Shari Weber
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Music Coordinator:	Laura Fortier
Prayer Nook:	Dee Schwinn
Properties:	Carol Bauck
Registration:	Kerri Lynne Brown
Song Leader/Flutist:	Laura Fortier
Technology:	Rev. Nick Cordt

...and to ALL of the convention committee members and faithful volunteers who were ready to help and “served with gladness”!

AND, we are deeply indebted to these people for making the virtual convention a reality:

- **Mike Maier, Technology Coordinator; Messiah Lutheran, Hays, KS**
- **Sandi Maier, Office Secretary, Messiah Lutheran, Hays, KS**
- **Aaron Engelman; Inspirmedia Productions, Lincoln, NE**
- **Karl Peschel, LWML Webmaster, Garden City, KS**
- **Messiah Lutheran Church, Hays, KS**



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THANK YOU TO ALL for your willingness to serve in these roles:

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Kathryn Richard, Recording Secretary
Ella Schempp, Financial Secretary
Brenda Piester, President

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Credentials Committee:

Parliamentarian:

Elaine Engelman, VP Organizational Resources

TELLERS COMMITTEE:

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Vice President's Chair (on stage):

Friday afternoon:

Jill Lowe, VP of Special Focus Ministries

Saturday morning:

Laura Hunter, VP of Caring Service

Saturday afternoon:

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Sunday morning:

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Prayers During Convention:

EC Prayer, 3:10 p.m. Friday afternoon, by stage
Pastor Grimm and Pastor Mallardi

Open Convention Session 1, Friday afternoon:

Kathryn Richard, Recording Secretary

Close Friday afternoon and Friday dinner prayer:

Jill Lowe, VP of Special Focus Ministries

Open Convention Session 2, Saturday morning:

Laura Hunter, VP of Caring Service

Ballot Packet – Before Voting:

Carolyn Fishburn, Treasurer

Close Saturday morning:

Ella Schempp, Financial Secretary

Welcome to Worship, Saturday afternoon:

Gloria Raab, Meeting Manager

Close Saturday afternoon:

Pastor Robert Grimm and

Pastor Rocco Mallardi

Open Sat. Convention Session 3 and Banquet:

Elaine Engelman,
VP of Organizational Resources

Open Christian Life Breakfast:

Allison Lehmann, VP of Christian Life

Open Convention Session 4, Sunday morning:

Shelly Keller, VP Communication



MEDITATION FOR PRAYER NOOK – “BE THOU MY VISION”

In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Apostles’ Creed:

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life ☩ everlasting. Amen

Meditation:

*Looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith,
who for the joy set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame,
and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.*

(Hebrews 12:2 NRSV)

With the year 2020, it is easy to see how the theme of this Kansas District LWML convention has to do with vision. We all want that perfect 20/20 vision. We will go to great lengths to get it: glasses, contacts, and even surgery. The vision in Hebrews 12:2 is a specific need we have as Christians: we are to “look to Jesus.”

How do we do that? We study God’s Word in private devotions and Bible study. We attend worship and, with fellow believers, hear sermons reminding us where our focus should be. Finally, and maybe most importantly, we come to the Lord in prayer.

There are so many distractions in the world today. Satan is here trying to change our focus. The “protector of our faith”, Christ Jesus, endured the cross and suffered for our sins. We must strive to always “fix our eyes on Him”, not on the troubles and distractions the world gives us.

This world continually gives us challenges, and we must pray for the strength to endure all because we know that one day we will “fix our eyes on Jesus” as He sits on His throne in heaven.

We simply pray: *LORD, BE THOU OUR VISION. AMEN.*

The Lord’s Prayer:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name, Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Blessings:

*The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face to shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace. Amen.*

(Numbers 6:24-26)



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Hebrews 12:1–2

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Running the Race ... Looking to Jesus

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God (Hebrews 12:1–2).

Convention Goal

Looking to Jesus, we run the race set before us and proclaim the joy of the Lord.

Convention Objectives

Convention attendees will:

- Focus on Jesus through God's Word and Sacrament.
- Joyfully celebrate our salvation with song and prayer.
- Serve our neighbors through witness and mission.

Convention Logo Explanation



The convention logo incorporates the shape of the last letter of the Greek alphabet, Omega, and makes reference to the passage from Scripture, *"I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end"* (Revelation 22:13). The symbol is shaped like a horseshoe, which is appropriate, as horses are a large part of the Kentucky culture.



Ancient Greeks awarded horseshoe-shaped laurel wreaths to victors of competitions. In our logo, the laurel wreath symbolizes our victory in Christ.



The banner was a method of announcing an official proclamation. Our banner proclaims that we are *"Running the Race ... Looking to Jesus."*

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BE THOU MY VISION



THEME VERSE:

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CONVENTION GOAL STATEMENT:

As we focus on Jesus with 2020 vision, we will

- **see the Author of our faith more clearly,**
- **open our eyes to the joy of enduring crosses daily, and**
- **share with others the vision of the glory of God.**



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