THEME FOR THE DAY: Growing Grace-filled Leaders!

**verse:** *But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be the glory both now and to the day of eternity. Amen.* 2 Peter 3:18

**GOALS:**

* **Growing**
* increasing faith and service through Bible study
* **Grace-filled**
* strengthening relationships with those around us
* **Leaders!**
* serving with gladness:

1. at home and at church
2. within all levels of LWML

**Gifts From the Heart (GFTH):**  **Gifts of food items suggested: pasta, sauce, canned vegetables, canned fruit, pancake mix, syrup, peanut butter, jelly, crackers, tuna, chicken, tuna helper, macaroni and cheese, soups, etc.**

**and/or gift cards to purchase fresh items.** *(Please mark the dollar amount on each gift card.)*

***Zones sit in the same general area at designated table(s)  
 Crisis Team - Christy McCombs, Joyce Hagemann, Pastor Werner***

8:30 a.m. Early Registration opens Kathryn Richard, Relda Galli, Carolyn Fishburn

& Joyce Hagemann

Gifts From the Heart Caring Service Committee

LWML store open Jill Lowe

9:45 a.m. Singing Sarah Kleopfer

Welcome/General announcements President Elaine Engelman

Opening Prayer

Mite Challenge Gospel Outreach Committee

*Session 1 - Growing*

Bible Study Rev. John Werner

Introducing Your Executive Committee

Introducing the Communication Department

*Session 2 - Grace-filled with Susan Brunkow*

Let’s get to know each other mixer Christian Life Committee

11:30 a.m. Announcements/Meal Prayer Joyce Hagemann/Sarah Kleopfer

*(tune: Doxology)*

**You, Lord, will surely guide our feet,**

**As now You bless this food we eat.**

**Help us Your love and mercy share**

**To all your people everywhere. AMEN**

LWML Store open Jill Lowe

12:45 p.m. Singing Sarah Kleopfer

Introducing the Christian Life Comm

Introducing the appointed personnel President Elaine

*Session 3–Leaders by Susan Brunkow*

Introducing Special Focus Ministries Committee

Introducing Caring Service Committee

Report on GFTH

*A few things you might want to know President Elaine*

groups/zones

District news

National ways to serve

Questions and Answers District Personnel

Introducing Christian Life Committee

Introducing Organizational Resources Committee

Listen in on the behind the scenes action

*Session 4–Appreciation by Susan Brunkow*

Mite Challenge results Gospel Outreach committee

Drawing for gifts

Closing Devotion Rev. John Werner

4:00 p.m. Clean up our space! Elaine Engelman

**Drive carefully!**

**DATES TO REMEMBER!**

August 16, 2025 2026 Convention Planning Meeting #2

September 1, 2025 Deadline for submitting national Mission Grant proposals

September 5, 2025 Deadline for submitting Sonshine articles for fall edition

September 16, 2025 **Mission Possible Day** (fka September to Remember giving)

September/October 2025 Zone Fall Events/Rallies/Gatherings

November 7-8, 2025 Christian Life Retreat in Salina–Donna Snow, presenter

November 2025 EC Meeting #4; 2026 Conv Plan Mtg #3–location TBA

December 1, 2025 All information for 2026 convention Sonshine due to editor

December 5, 2025 Deadline for submission Sonshine articles for winter edition

February 6/7, 2026 EC Meeting #1; 2026 Conv Plan Mtg #4–location TBA

April 15/16, 2026 EC Meeting #2–Manhattan

April 16, 2026 BOD Meeting #1–Manhattan

April 17-19, 2026 LWML Kansas District Convention–Hilton Garden Inn, Manhattan, Ks

**2026 Convention Theme and verse: Bear Fruit that Will Last**

*You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that you fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you.* John 15:16

**2026 Kansas District Convention Goal Statement:**

*As people chosen by God, we will bear fruit by:*

*Abiding in His Word:*

*Living our life in Christ; and*

*Working in His service.*

**LWML KANSAS DISTRICT PRIMARY FOCUS AREAS -- 2024-2026 Biennium**

***Proclaiming Christ–***

*Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all peoples!* (Psalm 96:3).

***Supporting Missions–***

*And he said to them, “Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation”* (Mark 16:15)..

***Equipping Women –***

*Now may the God of peace … equip you with everything good that you may do his will* (Hebrews 13:20-21).

***Serving Others***-

*As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another* (1 Peter 4:10a).

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Led by the Holy Spirit, the LWML Kansas District

will equip women to proclaim Christ, support missions, and serve the Lord with gladness.

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As Lutheran Women in Mission, we joyfully proclaim Christ, support missions, and equip women to honor God by serving others.