**LWML South Wisconsin District** 

**SERVE THE LORD WITH GLADNESS** 

November 2021

# Serve the Lord with Gladness

Dear Sisters in Christ,

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness!

Come into his presence with singing!

Know that the Lord, he is God!

It is he who made us, and we are his;

we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving,

and his courts with praise!

Give thanks to him; bless his name!

For the Lord is good;

his steadfast love endures forever and his faithfulness to all generations

(Psalm 100).

Recently, sitting in church waiting for the service to start, I picked up a pew Bible and looked up the LWML motto, Serve the Lord with

Gladness (Psalm 100:2). When I read verse one, I was reminded of the sketch in Lexington promoting the 2023 LWML Convention in Milwaukee, "A lot of noise we will make, it's cooler by the lake!" Reading on, I found a lot of comfort in Psalm 100 — he made us, we are his people, we may enter his gates and his courts. Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing (1 Thessalonians 5: 11).

Lately, the email prayer chain has been very active as we have supported one another in prayer. Such a blessing this has been to the one in need and to the pray-ers! Prayer requests are submitted to me at <a href="mailto:president.lwml.swd@gmail.com">president.lwml.swd@gmail.com</a>. Back to Psalm 100, "his steadfast love endures forever" in all times; hold fast to this promise, for the Lord indeed is good.

Serving our Lord with you,

Cinda Poppe, LWML SWD President



From our District Counselor

## I'll be Home for Christmas

Sll be home CHRISTMAN

But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Hebrews 11:16a Dear Ladies of the LWML,

It is hard to believe that this is already the last Mission Lamp for 2021! That means a lot of holidays are quickly approaching including Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year. Although Covid continues to bring about concerns and troubles, it means it is time for

families to hopefully gather together again.

There is a secular song that keeps playing in my head that I'm sure everyone reading this article knows. "I'll be home for Christmas." It was originally sung by Bing Crosby in 1943 to lift morale of the soldiers who were oversees longing to be home for Christmas. It has become one of the most requested Christmas songs around the world every year

during the Christmas season. I wonder if we can't push the envelope just a little and think that at least those famous words, "I'll be home for Christmas," are almost perfect to view our Christian faith

For the goal of the Christian faith is to be in Christ's eternal kingdom. To have a heavenly home secured for you. To be raised into the New Heaven and the New Earth, a true, perfect forever home. In other words, as we sing about the longings of home, we can be reminded that there is a better home yet to come for you. A home that even the faithful patriarchs longed for as Hebrews 11 tells us.

That is what Christmas is really about. That God became human in the person of Jesus so that He could bring us into the Heavenly home with him. For we couldn't, no matter how hard we tried, get ourselves into God's holy and precious kingdom. No one could climb the staircase of the Law to get one's self into that Heavenly home. So instead, Jesus came down

> Heaven's stairway. He made His home in our world so that He could suffer and die on the cross. He did that so that He could earn your place in that eternal, perfect home. As the of Hebrews 11.16 promises, "Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for

rest them a city."

As you prepare to gather together with family during the coming holidays, remember

that you have an eternity to be thankful for. You can be reminded that as many people "return home," that a greater return home is coming because of what Jesus did for all people. As the LWML, we get the privilege and honor to help support the mission work in our communities, our district, our country, and around our world so that others can look forward to one day coming to their true home that is with Christ forever. Just imagine what that return home will look and feel like!

In Christ, Pastor Gehrke, LWML SWD Counselor



39<sup>th</sup> Biennial Convention of the

LWML South Wisconsin District

June 18, 2022

St. Paul Lutheran Church, Grafton. WI

In just about seven months we will have the opportunity to gather together in convention to share our time to conduct the business of the LWML SWD, participate in Bible study, learn more about mission work in the LCMS, share our material blessings through our Gifts from the Heart, praise our Lord in song, and build and renew bonds with our sisters in Christ in the LWML. We will meet together on June 18, 2022, at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Grafton, Wis. We will welcome our guest speaker, David Fiala. We are also blessed to have LWML President Debbie Larson scheduled to attend Convention as our LWML representative!

District Convention materials were distributed at the Board of Directors meeting to the district's zone presidents and to group presidents through them. Registration forms and payments for delegates are due to your zone presidents by January 31, 2022. General registration for everyone else opens on March 1, 2022. The Love of Christ (TLC) scholarship applications are due May 1, 2022. Remember that the TLC fund exists to assist those who may not otherwise be able to attend convention because of the cost.

Our offering recipients will be The Love of Christ (TLC) Fund [25%] and Doxology, The Lutheran Center for Spiritual Care and Counsel [75%]. Doxology is a Recognized Service Organization of the Lutheran Church— Missouri Synod, whose primary purpose is to provide training, mentoring and consultation services for pastors seeking to enhance their ability to help people struggling with the everincreasing personal, family and social complexities of contemporary life. Doxology strengthens pastors so they can more faithfully pastor others. Doxology is located in Brookfield. Wis. Website is: www.doxology.us.

The convention committee is looking forward to seeing you all at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Grafton, Wis., for our convention. Please watch <a href="https://www.evg.nc.gov/lease-state-sta

#### **Bonnie Sperberg**

Publicity Chairman, 2022 LWML SWD Convention Steering Committee



David A. Fiala is a Mission Advocate for The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS). In this role, Fiala serves as a personal link to the mission and ministry of the LCMS. "My dad's a plumber, but I'm just a piece of pipe. I connect things," he says.

Prior to accepting this position, Fiala assisted with the international mission efforts of the LCMS for 15 years. He spent five years as a missionary recruiter and, before that, a decade as a missionary in Slovakia, the Czech Republic, Poland and Hungary. Fiala earned Lutheran teaching credentials, a bachelor's degree in theology and a Director of Christian education (DCE) certification at Concordia University Nebraska, Seward, Neb. He also has a master's degree in religion from Concordia University Chicago, River Forest, III.

Fiala and his wife, Radka, were married in 2002. They have four children. Their son Vašek and daughter Emma were both born in Slovakia. Their twins, Helen and Jonathan, were born shortly after their return to the U.S. in 2014. The Fialas live in Herculaneum, Mo., and are members of Webster Gardens Lutheran Church, Webster Groves, Mo.

First Time in History

### Two LWML 2021-2023 Grants were Paid in October



**L to R:** Rachel McCloskey, Deaconess student; Alyssa Lehenbauer, Deaconess student; Dr. Gillian Bond, Director of Deaconess Studies; Dr. Thomas Egger, CSL President; Mike Louis, CSL COO; Debbie Larson, LWML President

Two LWML 2021–2023 Mission Grants were paid in October for the first time in LWML History. God blessed the LWML with a mite offering surplus from the last biennium. With this surplus, the LWML was able to begin funding mission grants one month earlier than usual.

# Mission Grant #14 Caring for and Sharing Christ with Hurting People — Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, \$100,000

On Wednesday, October 13, 2021, LWML President Debbie Larson presented a check to Rachel McCloskey, Deaconess student; Alyssa Lehenbauer, Deaconess student; Dr. Gillian Bond, Director of Deaconess Studies; Dr. Thomas Egger, President; and

Mike Louis, Chief Operating Officer at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, for \$100,000 for 2021–2023 Mission Grant #14 Caring for and Sharing Christ with Hurting People.

This grant will help provide scholarships for deaconess students and assist with seminary costs to further their theological education. Future enrollment for the online Deaconess Studies Program is expected to increase. This grant will train more deaconesses, enabling them to provide compassionate, Christ-centered care for those who are hurting and suffering — physically, emotionally, and spiritually.

# Mission Grant #26 Strengthening the Lutheran Mission to Kuna, Idaho — Friendship Celebration Lutheran Church, \$100,000

The walls of a small local coffee shop in Kuna, Idaho, were nearly bursting as the crowd of members from the newly formed Kuna Lutheran Church gathered to receive the \$100,000 2021-2023 Mission Grant #26 check from LWML. LWML Utah-Idaho District President Anderson was blessed to present this check on behalf of LWML to Rev. Thomas Hausch. Pastor Tom and the church members are very grateful to the LWML for their partnership in spreading the Gospel to this rapidly growing area. Plans for a worship center have been developed to help this mission group continue sharing the love of Christ to the community in Kuna, Idaho



# Getting Involved

I have been involved with LWML for almost 40 years but it took the combined efforts over several years of two of my church LWML friends to get me to my first meeting! So if you have been asking a church friend to join your LWML group—don't give up!

What I love about LWML is seeing the joy of the Lord on everyone's face during conventions, retreats and yes -even meetings! No task is too large or too small if it is for the Glory of God.

I have held offices on the society, zone and district level. My current office is Vice President of Gospel Outreach and Christian Life and I have 4 committees that I oversee. I am advisor to the Fall Retreat and Winter Getaway. Since June, 2018 I have been truly amazed at the talent, enthusiasm and creativity of the women I have been privileged to work with for those events.

I also oversee the Young Women's committee and the Christian Life committee. Both of these committees need committee members in addition to a chairperson for the Young Women's committee.

My term will be up at the 2022 district convention. Along with my position of VP of Gospel Outreach and Christian Life, there are several other positions needing nominations. They are: VP of Organizational Resources, Recording Secretary, Financial Secretary and Junior Pastoral Counselor.

Please prayerfully consider offering your name for one of these positions. You can also offer a name of someone who you think would be a good fit and the nominating committee contacts that person. The nominating form is found on our website under Resources—District.

In His Service, Judy Gitzlaff LWML SWD VP of Gospel Outreach and Christian Life

# Engage in Missions by Funding Missions

Mite goal for the 2020-2022 biennium is \$205,000, with \$153,750 designated for SWD mite grants and \$51,250 designated for LWML mite grants.



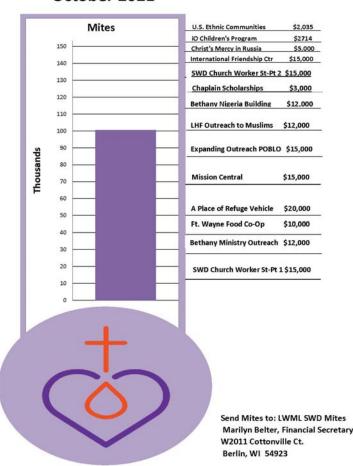
Please make checks payable to LWML SWD. The current voucher can be found at <a href="https://www.nwm.nc.gov/www.nc.gov/ww

My mailbox is looking for a mite check from you.

Marilyn Belter

LWML SWD Financial Secretary

#### South Wisconsin Mite Goal 2020-2022 October 2021





#### **Convention 2023 News**

Attention Golfers! One of the events for the 2023 convention will be the Tee Off for Mites Golf Outing. Because the convention is in Milwaukee, it would be extremely helpful if the Golf Outing Director is local to the Milwaukee area. We already have a few leads on golf courses to hold the event!. The director of the golf outing should have some experience regarding golf events, even if it's just participating in an event in the past. I also have excellent resources to connect you with to help you plan this event. This event takes place on June 21, 2023, the Wednesday before convention opens. It has been a wonderful way to involve so many people and raise money for mites, so if you are a golfer, live in the Milwaukee area and are up for an exciting adventure in planning this event, please contact me.

#### Anne Hartman



# Have you read the latest Lutheran Woman's Quarterly?

Asking the questions "Where were you?" and "Why was I spared?" as found in the Fall 2021 issue of the Lutheran Woman's Quarterly may have led us to reminisce about what we were doing when the evil of 9/11 struck.

The article *Reaching Out... Hands and Hearts* introduced us all to the great need to reach out to the deaf women of the LWML. Young Woman's Rep Eugenia Ellis beamed in the picture on page 11 where the excitement of the 39th Biennial LWML Convention was shared.

Stay engaged in the mission of the LWML by subscribing to the 2022-2023 Lutheran Woman's Quarterly by March 15, 2022. Find the order form on <a href="https://www.org/helps#society.">wml-swd.org/helps#society.</a>

Serving gladly,

Barb Kaun, LWML SWD Quarterly Manager



# Rev. John Carrier, Mites in Action Speaker

Camp Restore was originally started in New Orleans following Hurricane Katrina. In 2016, Camp Restore New Orleans and the Michigan District of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod approached Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church, asking if they would open Camp Restore Detroit. Mt. Calvary accepted the challenge and began Camp Restore Detroit in February 2017.

Camp Restore Detroit is an urban retreat center set up to house and feed mission teams anywhere from a day to a week or even I onger. They offer service opportunities for any team with a heart to serve, ranging from visiting people to restoring houses to helping with Vacation Bible School or even simple yard work all ready and waiting.

The area around Camp Restore is about 25% populated with many vacant lots unoccupied houses. As an asset-based community development model they do not go into the community and share what they think is needed. Instead, they find and partner with the good things community members are already doing. The idea is not to go and fix someone's problem but to be ready to help them fix their problem. With the LWML Mite Grant of \$100,000, Camp Restore Detroit bought two houses for \$1,000 each and is working to renovate the houses into community outreach centers, along with the house furnishings and outreach materials.

The 2021 projects fall under four different categories: Housing, Gardens and Greenspace, Community Engagement, and Leadership and Education.

Some work will be done onsite at Camp Restore Detroit to benefit the immediate community. Camp Restore Detroit has hosted groups of all ages and sizes, housing and feeding them and partnering groups with community leaders on service projects. The partnerships and relationships that have been

built are invaluable to their ministry. By working together HOPE can be restored and authentic relationships built in the Detroit community.

I was born in Detroit, Mich., and spent my formative years in Lutheran churches and schools there, so hearing about the help our LWML Mission Grant has been to Camp Restore Detroit was meaningful to me. I probably played volleyball in the gym at Mt. Calvary School, but now the classrooms are turned into a dormitory were others are housed when they come to help improve and rebuild the community.

Written by Ruth Mueller SWD VP Organizational Resources

#### **Child Beyond International Mission**

Reverend Jeffrey Mueller spoke passionately how our mites help funded the purchase of a school bus to be outfitted into a medical and dental facility that can travel from village to village. Reverend Mueller established the Child Beyond International Mission to provide educational and spiritual support to children who live in poverty in Guatemala. Their mission is to rescue, restore, release and reinforce the children of Guatemala. The pandemic has delayed the renovation of the bus, but once work resumes and the renovation is completed the outreach mission work will be overseen by the Reverend Dr. Ebry Orozca and his wife Liz. The staff will pray with the patients and meet their physical and spiritual needs.

I would highly encourage you to watch the video of Reverend Mueller presentation. Find out how a Mercedes-Benz 350 1954 car that was purchased originally by Pat Boone has help Child Beyond International. It was so uplifting to know our mites help fund this incredible mission work. You can even take a Virtual Mission Trip by visiting Child Beyond International Mission.



## Lunch with Rev. Robert Zagore, LCMS Office of National Mission

Rev. Zagore shared that "Making Disciples for Life" is to focus on making disciples and not just another binder provided by Synod. This plan is to change how we create, identify, distribute and prioritize resources for congregations.

The biggest questions members have is — will the church be there when needed and will my children go to heaven?

The responsibility of the church is to (1) evangelize the lost, (2) retain the faithful, (3) strengthen congregations (trust the Holy Spirit for guidance with this), and (4) plant new churches and schools (this is a mission we shouldn't forget). Is your church's plan to just survive or to grow? We are sent by God and not a victim of this world.

Rev. Zagore suggested not scrapping all your

churches programs, but tweak and make the most of those that are working and seek resources through *makingdisciples.lcms.org*. This is a resource of shared information from individuals, congregations, districts and synods to help guide and strengthen your church. recommendation he suggested listening to is our Lutheran Radio at *kfuo.org*. He mentioned the podcasts of Friends for Life, but I also learned at the LWML Convention that the Lutheran Ladies Lounge is very popular with our women. At the luncheon, I learned a couple resources from an LWML sister. Her church drew members into returning to Bible study through relaxed settings. For the men, they met at an establishment for Bible and Brew, the ladies Wine, Women and the Word (WWW).

"Running the Race ... Looking to Jesus!"

Melody Rodger

# MOST: Mission Opportunities Short Term

MOST stands for Mission Opportunities Short Term and is an RSO (Recognized Service Organization) of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. Since 1989, over 240,000 people have been helped physically and spiritually in 52 countries by these volunteers.

Missionaries know their areas best and the needs around them. Each year mission teams of volunteers are organized and sent to serve as needed with the missionaries. This could be a medical trip, provide eyeglasses, or set up a clean water system. Consider joining a short term mission with MOST at <a href="mailto:mostminis-tries.org/team\_schedule">mostminis-tries.org/team\_schedule</a>. Trip costs vary based on length of trip and area.

There are a couple of ways to serve here at home. One way is through the Eyeglass Ministry. Generous individuals, churches, and organizations collect and send used eyeglasses to MOST where they are sorted, tested, and repackaged by volunteers to send

with a volunteer team. The cost of glasses in developing nations can exceed a month's salary and prohibit people from getting this necessary correction to assist in vision for work, reading, and school attendance. Currently around 150,000 people have received eyeglasses. MOST is also currently collecting regular used sunglasses to distribute. In many of these areas the sun is strong and can be damaging to eyes without this protection.

Volunteer Projects is another way to assist at home by making witness tools which are taken on the trips. These include finger puppets, witness bracelets, eyeglass cases, and face masks. Directions on making these can be found at <u>mostministries.org/volunteer projects</u>.

Serving the Lord in Gladness Melody Rodger, Zone 13 President

# We Mourn the loss of Bev Lueder

Beverly D. Lueder, of Plymouth, passed away on November 23, 2021 at the age of 86 at Sharon Richardson Hospice in Sheboygan Falls. A pillar of her community over nine decades, Bev dedicated her life to her family, her congregation, and the needlest members of society.

Bev devoted her time and energy to St. John Lutheran Church, where she was a faithful member her whole life, singing in the choir, working with the Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML), and serving as a Sunday School teacher. In 1961 she established a Special Education Sunday School program, which she continued to lead throughout her life, along with Vacation Bible School programs, a hand bell choir, and workshops geared towards those with special needs. She was instrumental in working with The Arc of Plymouth to open the Hilltop Manor Group Home for those with intellectual disabilities, for which she served as a board member and business manager for many years.

During her time with the Lutheran Chorus of Sheboygan she traveled across the United States and Canada, Central America, and Europe singing at various churches and spreading the Word of God. She continued to travel throughout her life, including twice to the Holy Land, and always returned with photographs, stories, and gifts for those that stayed behind.

After her retirement from Thomas Industries, Inc., where she worked for years as the Secretary to the General Manager and Controller, she raised money and went on mission trips to Costa Rica, Puerto Rico, and Guatemala, where she conducted eye examinations and fitted eyeglasses to those in need.

She continued to provide comfort to others throughout her life and was well-known at Rocky Knoll nursing home, where she could often be found handing out popcorn and smiles to the residents.

Funeral Services were held on Tuesday (November 30, 2021) at St. John Lutheran Church in Plymouth. In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested in Bev's name to St. John Lutheran Church-Plymouth.

#### Fall Retreat 2021

We were blessed to meet in person for the 2021 Fall Retreat to share the message that Jesus is the Light!

The SWD Fall Retreat was held on September 17 and 18 in Oshkosh. It was a wonderful gathering for fellowship and spiritual growth. Deaconess Sandra Rhein shared information and her experiences of her missionary work as a sacred music educator. She helps countries create Lutheran hymnals in their native language. Deaconess Katherine Rittner was a joy to hear speak about the Clothing and Food Co-op at Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne. She cares deeply for the seminary students and their families. She is grateful for the support from the SWD. When participants were asked about what they liked best about the retreat, the most popular answer was Pastor Barkley and the Bible study. We appreciate all that he does as our District Senior Counselor.

Retreat attendance totaled 112. Offerings included \$1,302.75 to deaconess training in Latin America and \$434.25 to the Female Church Worker Scholarship fund. Mites totaled \$641.79. Twenty-five large boxes of items were collected for our Gifts from the Heart recipient, the Lutheran Food Pantry in Oshkosh.

Servant Events: Forty-three tied fleece hats were made to be given to area parochial school students. Around 500 crosses were made from greeting cards with the John 3:16 Bible verse on the back. These will be given to missionaries. Some groups made these before the retreat. One hundred five blessing bags were made up for the homeless and the Milwaukee Urban Ministry to distribute. Rev. Chris Ikanih was able to take these bags and also six boxes of extra supplies with him.

Thank you for your generous donations!

Christian Life

# So you want to be a writer

Do you ever wonder about the writers behind all of the devotions and Bible studies you find at <a href="mailto:lwml.org">lwml.org</a>? How do they decide on a topic and how do they develop it? What happens to it once it is written and submitted? The writer's workshop that I attended at Lexington answered a lot of questions! Perhaps you have considered writing a devotion or even a song but did not know how to start. As was mentioned frequently, start with prayer for God's guidance! Nothing could be more important!

A simple place to start is with your favorite Bible verse. Mine is: but they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint (Isaiah 40:31).

There are lots of rules for writing a devotion, a Bible study, an article for the *Lutheran Woman's Quarterly* — much of it technical, but

there are five C's that Christian writers should follow:

Christ-centered: it should point to Jesus, what He has done and continues to do for us.

Concise: use as few words as possible to convey the meaning — give yourself a word limit.

Clear: the work moves logically, one point to another. Stick to one idea and develop it. Use ESV scriptures.

Clean: the work is free of spelling and grammar errors. LWML is closely observed, and

Compassionate: a way to convey Jesus' love, care and the hope we have in him.

Why not give it a try? Perhaps you could write something meaningful to you and be able to share it with so many others!

Sandy Krainz, Christian Life Chairman

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## **Gladness Rags!**

A big thank-you for those who brought items for the Gladness Rags at the Fall Retreat and the BOD meeting! We collected \$90.75 at the fall rally and \$25.00 at the fall BOD meeting. WOW! Everyone was so generous! Do you have any LWML or purple clothing that is still in good shape but is either too small, too large or just tired of it? The Gladness Rags would love to have it for the clothes racks at the next LWML event, which is the Winter Getaway in the Dells on February 5 and 6, 2022. See you there!

Marilyn Belter Gladness Rags Chairman



# Gifts of Love: Returning God's Blessings

And his mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation (Luke 1:50).

When it comes to finding examples in the faith, there is hardly a better person than Jesus' mother, Mary. Called into what must have seemed like an impossible situation, Mary trusted in the Lord to see her through everything and humbly submitted to His plan for her, and for the world. Mary also knew that everything she had was from the Lord, and that through the child she bore, His mercy would be given to generation after generation. As it was for Mary, the Lord provides us with all that we need in this life. We are not worthy of it, and yet the Lord's mercy is given to us just the same. One of the ways we can put our faith and trust in the Lord into action is by considering how we might share of our blessings with future generations. Gifts of Love is one way to do that. Through this ministry, the LWML's work of helping to spread the Gospel can go on from generation to generation. Through the missionaries we support, the mercy of God is brought to bear on millions of souls. They, too, have a chance to see the greatness of God who not only calls His children into incredible lives of faith and hope, but blesses them with every blessing along the way until they reach the kingdom eternally.

We often think about our "Last Will and Testament" simply as directing dollars. But in effect, it is your last word about anything that is on your heart. Most people don't use it for that, but you can. You can include a "Christian Preamble" by which you testify to your faith. (If your will is already complete, you can write a "family blessing" and put it with your will.) Your LWML Gift Planning Counselor can help.

For help thinking this through, contact us, your LWML Gift Planning Counselors. We can assist you with expressing your faith through your Christian Estate Plan. LWML provides free, professional Christian estate planning services. We can be reached at 1-800-741-4138.

Wishing you a year filled with God's love in the gift of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Your Partners in Him, Linda Gage and Carol von Soosten







#### Fall Retreat 2022

September 23 and 24, 2022
Radisson Hotel and Conference Center
625 West Rolling Meadows Drive
Fond Du Lac, WI 54937



What's your 80? In thanksgiving for these 80 years of the Lutheran Womens Missionary League, each member, society, zone, and district is encouraged to reflect God's love by blessing others with 80 items, 80 actions, or another creative 80. Use your imagination, have fun, and take pictures to share with us to have them posted on our LWML SWD Facebook page.

#### **Events**

December 1, 2021	SWD officer nominations due
December 1, 2021	TLC Scholarship Applications due for Winter Getaway
December 1, 2021	Statistical Reports due to Corresponding Secretary
December 15, 2021	Spring Rally dates due to PR
January 15, 2022	Mission Lamp Deadline for articles
January 29, 2022	Executive Committee, Trinity Lutheran, Sheboygan
February 4-5, 2022	Winter Getaway, Clarion Hotel in Wisconsin Dells
February 12, 2022	Board Reports due to Corresponding Secretary
February 26, 2022	BOD Meeting, St. John Lutheran Plymouth, WI

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Important news came out later this month with the release of the 2023 Logo! The first zoom meeting was also held for the Host Committee. Stay tune for more exciting news to come!

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