



# Mission Lamp

LWML South Wisconsin District

SERVE THE LORD WITH GLADNESS

November 2022

## President's Message

Dear LWML Sisters in Christ,

As busy Women in Mission serving the Lord with gladness, we *Trust in the Lord* (Proverbs 3:5) and we **Pray without ceasing** (1 Thessalonians 5). As you consider your prayer list this fall, please remember these following requests.

The LWML 2023 Convention, "Celebrate the Lord of the Nations," is only eight months away. Please **PRAY** for the 2023 Convention in Milwaukee.

**Pray** as you fill out the volunteer application. By filling out the application, you indicate you are interested in serving during the convention. Volunteers will be contacted closer to the convention to make a firm commitment. Volunteers who serve eight hours get a discounted registration rate. Volunteers who register online between January 9-February 1, 2023 get a discounted registration rate of \$60.00. After February 1, 2023 the Volunteer rate goes up to \$80.00. (*General Registration form will be in the Winter 2022 Lutheran Women's Quarterly.*)

**Pray** for all of the Host Committee members as they diligently work to prepare to host over five thousand convention attendees. (and **pray** for the coming convention attendees).

**Pray** for sponsors for the golf outing (and golfers) so this event will generously support the 2023-2025 mite grants. Please share the *Golf Outing Brochure* with a business owner you know and ask them to be a sponsor. Talk with your group about sponsorship of a hole or

a golf team.

**Pray** for our Young Women Representative applicants, convention banner design ideas, and servant event donations as you read more about each of these in other sections of this Mission Lamp issue.

**Pray** about the vacant positions in our district and for the convention that they will be filled soon.

**Pray** as you fill your mites boxes. Send prayers for all the grant recipients along with the mites.

**Pray** for each other. If you have a prayer request, please share it with me and I will get it on the Email Prayer Chain.

**Pray** for your LWML, district, zone, and group leaders.

**Pray** as we prepare to "Celebrate the Lord of the Nation" in Milwaukee with our LWML Sisters.

**Pray** prayers of thanksgiving for all of your opportunities to serve the Lord through the LWML.

Serving Christ with you,

Cinda Poppe  
LWML SWD President

## Pray without ceasing!

*From our District Junior Pastoral Counselor*

# Abide Even in the Darkness

Fall is upon us which means pumpkin-spiced everything, leaves changing color, corn stalk decorations, and spookiness all around. I can't help but love the season. It's getting colder, darker, football-ier.

It's true. The world grows darker. It's like God built into the seasons a reminder that the darkness of this world will attempt to overcome us. It will seem to be all around us. It will seem unbreakable. But a light breaks on the horizon in the dead of winter, reminding us that the light will conquer the darkness. But, as seasons go, it takes time to get there.

As we consider the theme of this biennium, "Abiding in Christ's LOVE," we have to consider that abiding in His love takes time. As we serve one another, as we study the Scriptures to know Him and His love, as we share Christ's love, it takes time.

Sometimes, we do this as the darkness gathers around us. Wars and rumors of wars surround us. Plagues and famines take food from our tables. Recessions and depressions affect our pocketbooks. Still, we abide in His love through it all for we abide in time.

Sometimes, we do this as the light begins to shine. Political discourse seems to be going in the way for which we have prayed. New life comes into your family. Children grow and learn. Adults love and lean on each other. Still, we abide in His love through it all for we abide in time.

However it is that we find the times in which we live, we abide in Christ's love. This is our call and this is our mission. We proclaim Christ to

others, we support our missions, we equip women, especially in the LWML, to honor God because we abide in His love. And it takes time. That is what we are called to do, to give our time to others that they may be with us, abiding in Christ, that they may know and believe the love that God has for them, and for you.

If you're discouraged by the darkness, take heart. You are in Christ and He is in you. If you are encouraged by the light, take heart. You are in Christ and He is in you. In any circumstance, your Lord is with you. As time marches on until His coming, your Lord is with you, abiding in you as you abide in Him. As you live, day in and day out, abide in Him who abides in you. Rest in Him who gives you rest. Watch as the light breaks on the horizon, and see your Savior who has conquered and will conquer the world and usher in the new age where there is no darkness, only light.

Pastor Lewis Polzin  
LWML SWD Jr. Pastoral Counselor





## Convention 2023 News

### An update from the Convention Chair!

We are about nine months from convention as I write this article. Yikes! It is both stressful and exciting. The two most important things I would like to share with you are posted on the South Wisconsin District website. I will include the link at the end of the article.

First, the Call for Workers form is on this site. You can fill it out online or print it and send it in. Honestly, it is super easy to fill out online and much easier for Allison Hein to process. We need over 500 volunteers to make this convention work - no job is too small. In order to receive the discounted registration of \$60 if you register in January and \$80 after that, you need to put in eight hours of volunteer work. It will be fun!

Second, there is a wish list for supplies for the Servant Activities. Maybe you can't come to the convention or you know a shut in who would love to donate something. Any member of our three districts can donate, so my request is that you share this with EVERYONE, not just your LWML members - everyone in our three districts! Some people may not be attending the convention, but would love to be a part of it by donating!

Thank you all for everything you have done so far. God is good and He will bless this convention and the final preparations ahead of us.

Anne Hartman  
Host Committee Chairman  
2023 Milwaukee Convention

<https://lwml-swd.org/events/other>

*Your help is needed as the South WI, North WI, and North IL Districts prepare to host the 2023 LWML Convention in Milwaukee! Please sign up to join others as we continue to Serve the Lord with Gladness!!*

Leadership Roles for the 2023 LWML Convention still needed!

#### GUEST SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Contact Coordinator: Jennifer Olen

##### Chairman:

Food Services Committee

##### Directors:

Child Care Primary (5 – 8 Years)

Child Care Intermediate (9 – 12 Years)

Hostess Scheduling

Traffic Supervisor

District Charter Motor coaches Hostess

Hotel Greeters

Hotel Shuttle Buses

VIP Drivers

#### PROPERTIES AND WORSHIP SUPPORT DEPARTMENT

Contact Coordinator Barb Kaun

##### Directors:

Inventory & Acquisitions Control

Properties Room

Also, don't forget to sign up to be a volunteer worker for the convention!



Editor Note: It's NOT Milwaukee but reminded me of it at night!

2023 LWML Convention in Milwaukee, WI  
Here are some quick links to convention information...

Where do I find Host Committee information? [LWML-SWD](#)

How can I share information with my congregation? [2023.snippets.nsl#2 \(lwml-swd.org\)](#)

How can I order a Convention Shirt?  
[2023-PUB-LPS-07-Logo-Shirt-Order-Form-Final\\_03-14-2022.pdf \(unite-production.s3.amazonaws.com\)](#)

How can I volunteer to help during the convention?  
[Convention Volunteer Form-Call for Workers - Formstack](#)

What is the latest news about the conventions?  
[LWML National Committee Newsletter #2 \(lwml-swd.org\)](#)

How do I donate items for the Convention Servant Events?  
[cdd62944-a106-4f79-86fb-4c4ae6d63428.pdf \(lwml-swd.org\)](#)

A poster to use for Tee Up 4 Mites is on the next page.



This photo ran in the last issue but was worth sharing again!! Start thinking about LWML—Milwaukee 2023!!



Above: LWML Executive committee is MKE ready to see you in Milwaukee in June of 2023!

### Attention Young Women!

We are looking for Young Woman Representative applicants from the South Wisconsin District to represent us at the 2023 LWML convention in Milwaukee. Any young woman who is a member of the LCMS, is approximately 22-40 years of age and is willing and able to attend the convention is eligible to apply. The application can be found on the [lwml-swd.org](#) website under the Resources tab, District Helps, Forms. Completed applications are due by January 1, 2023 to Carmen Schallock, Young Women's Committee Chair. An information sheet listing the qualifications and expectations as well as application submission instructions can be found on the website in the same document as the application. If you are a young woman (OR you know a young woman who qualifies), we encourage you to apply! We would love to have you join us in Milwaukee in June 2023!

Carmen Schallock  
SWD Young Women Committee Chair





# TEE UP 4 MITES

Lutheran Women's  
Missionary League

## CHARITY *Golf* SCRAMBLE

WEDNESDAY

6.21 2023

WESTERN LAKES GOLF CLUB

W287 N1963 Oakton Road Pewaukee, Wisconsin

6:30 a.m. Registration and Breakfast

7:30 a.m. Shotgun Start

12:30 p.m. Awards Lunch

Sponsored by Lutheran Hour Ministries

\$100 DONATION ENTRY FEE

**Hole in One Prize: \$10,000;** closest to the pin(2), longest drive,  
both men and women. Visit [teeup4mites@lwml.org](mailto:teeup4mites@lwml.org) for registration information.



The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) was founded in 1942. From the beginning, missions have been the focus of the LWML. Many women and men have supported this mission effort by placing funds in their Mite Box (based on the biblical story of the Widow's Mite). Over the past 79 years, God has blessed these donations to bring His saving message to multitudes. Throughout the LWML's history, over 100 million dollars have been gathered to spread the Gospel message.



## 2023 LWML District Banner General Instructions

The Banner Processional at LWML conventions sets the tone for the convention and we, as one of the host districts, are to develop a new banner. Please take a moment to think about a design for the LWML SWD using the theme, “Celebrate the Lord of Nations,” and someone who would be willing to sew the banner together. All ideas are great whether they are simple pencil drawings or complete renditions. Send your ideas by Thursday, December 1, 2022, to Claudia Fairfield, VP Organizational Resources, at [vporganizationalresources@lwml-swd.org](mailto:vporganizationalresources@lwml-swd.org) or mail them to 626 South Main, Westfield, WI 53964.

General banner specifications:

1. Finished banner size is to be 3' x 5'. Added fringe may be longer. The banner should be easy to manage when carried. Heavy fabrics and bulky items make carrying the banner difficult.
2. Your district's name (can be abbreviated) must be on the front of the banner. Use any size letters you wish. Place a small identifying tag naming your district on the lower left corner on the back-side of the banner, to help identify your district banner when rolled up.
3. Attach two ties to the back of the banner. One of the ties is to be at the center of the banner width, about 10-12" from the top. The second tie is to be at the center of the banner width, about 10-12" from the bottom. These ties should be long enough to tie a bow around a two-inch pole. Note: Do NOT use Velcro to hold banner to the pole, as it has proved ineffective. Please use ties as described.
4. Tack the casing at the bottom of the banner to keep the dowel in place.
5. At the top, attach the banner to a one-inch dowel with an eye screw on each end of the dowel. Please use a strong 1/4-inch or 8mm cord. Make a small loop at the center for hanging. Secure the cording through each eye screw, laying the cord flat along the dowel, with the small loop at the center of the banner. Knot the cord on the outside of each screw. Be sure to attach the cord tightly since they tend to stretch when the banner is hanging. Have your banner hang before convention to allow time for stretching.



## Engage in Missions by Funding Missions!

Greetings! I am the new Financial Secretary for the term 2022-2026 and am excited to serve in this position. I would like to thank Marilyn Belter, past Financial Secretary, and Patty Silah, Treasurer, for their advice and help! I look forward to meeting many of you at retreats or convention.

Speaking of retreats, at the SWD Fall Retreat in September, our generous sisters in Christ blessed the LCMS Sheboygan County Hispanic Ministry with a gift of \$2,102! Mites collected totaled \$631.09! Thank you, ladies!

We also paid the third 2022-2024 mission grant in September, the SWD Church Student Worker Grant of \$30,000, and at this writing we are working towards funding our fourth grant of Financial Assistance for CTS, Fort Wayne Food and Clothing Co-op of \$10,000. Our mite goal for the 2022-2024 biennium is \$205,000, with \$153,750 designated for SWD Mission Grants and \$51,250 for LWML Mission Grants.

As a reminder, please make your checks payable to LWML SWD. Vouchers may be found on our website, [lwml-swd.org](http://lwml-swd.org). Click on the Resource tab and scroll down to Society Helps, where you will be able to print them.

Please contact me if you need memorial cards, and I will be happy to provide you with a supply!

Wendie Staus  
LWML SWD Financial Secretary  
[financialsecretary@lwml-swd.org](mailto:financialsecretary@lwml-swd.org)

Please see the website [lwml-swd.org](http://lwml-swd.org) for Mission Grant information. Look under Resources, District then Grants.

## 2022-2024 Mission Grants

### These are the 2022-2024 Mission Grants:

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|---|----------------------|
| 1. Orphan Grain Train - Wisconsin Branch                          |                      |
| <b>Paid in FULL!</b>  | \$15,000             |
| 2. In School Counseling for Mental Health of Students             | <b>Paid in FULL!</b> |
|   | \$10,000             |
| 3. SWD Church Worker Grant  | \$30,000             |
| <b>Paid in FULL!</b>  |                      |
| 4. Financial Assistance for CTS, Fort Wayne Food & Clothing Co-op | \$10,000             |
| 5. Outreach to Female Inmates                                     | \$15,000             |
| 6. A Place of Refuge Ministries/House remodel                     | \$25,000             |
| 7. Camp LuWiSoMo Camper Scholarships                              | \$20,000             |
| 8. Bethany Ev. Lutheran Church Ministry Outreach                  | \$14,000             |
| 9. A Playground as an Oasis - St Martini/LUMIN                    | \$15,000             |
| 10. Care for Clergy Wives - Doxology                              | \$ 8,000             |
| 11. SOS Center Designed for Success                               | \$16,810.91          |

**Total: \$178,810.91**

### Ink Cartridge Recycling Program

Check out the updated list and information for requesting mailing labels on [lwml-swd.org/Missions/Opportunities](http://lwml-swd.org/Missions/Opportunities).



**Pictured is Treasurer Patty Silah with Rev. Dr. Nathan Meador and Pres. Rev. Dr. John Wille from the SWD office.**

Within three months of the convention in June, our third grant is paid! The check in hand is the \$30,000 commitment LWML SWD had to go toward Church Worker Grants which the district will distribute to students bound for church work and attending one of our universities over the next two years. Did you know that your mites support students in this way and did you know that our next grant for Fort Wayne Seminary Food and Clothing Co-op will help families of seminary students? They will be able to purchase fresh dairy, meat and produce with the \$10,000 grant. God is to be praised and you are to be commended for your faithful giving of mites and your prayers! It is still all about Jesus as we abide in His love for us.

From the LWML SWD Facebook page



Autumn may be here, but spring is on our mind! Come April, we will again be hosting a day to rejoice in Heart to Heart Sisters of All Nations with an event-filled day (April 15, 2023) at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Brookfield. A Save the Date poster is on the next page of this issue!

Also, by then we will have paid several more mission grants. At this writing, \$30,000 has been delivered to the South Wisconsin District office for distribution over the next two years. Grants will be given to church work students attending one of our universities. We share this and all information about our grants to remind you that YOU ARE LWML, and without your support and prayers, you would not be a part of students' lives in this way.

Moving on to the next grant, No. 4, Fort Wayne Seminary will receive \$10,000 for their Food and Clothing Co-op to buy fresh dairy, meat and produce. Again, YOU are helping students. Though you may not see the outcome, know that students are being blessed and encouraged.

It is not too early to begin the process of grant applications for the 2024 LWML SWD Convention! All paperwork must be submitted by October 31, 2023 so there is time to prepare the slate of grants for approval at convention. Check the website ([lwml-swd.org](http://lwml-swd.org)) under "resources" to find what you need to pass along to anyone in need of funds to do their missionary outreach, here and abroad.

LuAnn Roman  
LWML SWD VP Special Focus Ministries/  
Mission Grants





# ***SAVE THE DATE***

## **A WORLD FOR CHRIST!!!**

LET THE PEOPLES PRAISE YOU, O GOD;  
LET ALL THE PEOPLES PRAISE YOU!

PSALM 67:3



**South Wisconsin  
District**



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**HEART TO HEART-WOMEN OF ALL NATIONS  
ANNUAL MULTICULTURAL EVENT**

**APRIL 15TH, 2023**

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH  
13445 HAMPTON RD, BROOKFIELD, WI 53005

## In remembrance of two special Women in Mission of SWD!

We remember two LWML Sisters, Linda Ault and Gerry Burkee, who now rest in the arms of our Savior.

Linda Ault served many positions on the Executive Committee, including Recording Secretary from 1990-1994 and 2006-2010, and Treasurer from 2000-2004. In her 2004 and 2010 convention reports Linda encouraged, "Someday you may be asked to use your talents for the Lord and the LWML SWD. Please give the request prayerful consideration...the Lord and you know your talents, strengths and weaknesses. The opportunities are numerous and varied. If you aren't asked and you know you can do it... TELL SOMEONE...VOLUNTEER!!!" Linda was always ready to share about the LWML and the blessings of serving her Savior.

<https://www.brianmarkfh.com/obituary/Linda-Ault>

Gerry Burkee served as District President from 1988-1992 and held other positions within LWML SWD. During her tenure, the first four scholarships were awarded from the newly-established Female Church Workers Endowment Fund, a strong Young Women's Committee was established, and Effective Society Planning was introduced. Gerry is remembered for her strong faith. In her convention report for the 1992 district convention, Gerry wrote, "I thank my Lord for His guidance and blessing every step of the way, and I thank you for giving me the privilege of serving in this capacity." Gerry was a long standing, faithful member of the LWML.

[Geraldine E. Burkee Obituary](#)  
([tributearchive.com](http://tributearchive.com))

Both of these women are part of our district's legacy. Between them they have mentored and encouraged many of us. Now the torch has passed, and we honor them by sharing our love for the Savior, our service in the LWML, and our commitment to the workers in the mission field through our mite offerings. May we be blessed as we continue to live by their examples of faith and service.

## Fall Mission Lamp Bookstore News

As the 2023 SWD Winter Getaway is canceled due to the LWML Milwaukee National Convention in June 2023, I will not be ordering any items for the store until September 2023 for the next SWD Fall Retreat.

I have a few Mustard Seed Devotions, a few note cards, Carolyn Blum's book, *Dedicated*, and a few other items. If you would like any of these items, give me a call at 920.387.3367.

Serving the Lord with Gladness,

Diane Kamrath  
Bookstore Manager



## It is NOT too early!

If you have enjoyed the Bible studies and seeing what servant events other LWML groups are producing you will want to submit your subscriptions to the *Lutheran Woman's Quarterly* before March 15, 2023. The 2023-2024 LWQ order form is posted under Resources/Society.

Subscription costs remain the same as last year. Send a completed Quarterly order form, a completed LWML SWD Receipt voucher (2022-2024) and a check made out to LWML SWD to Financial Secretary Wendie Staus. Questions? Please contact Marilyn Belter, LWML SWD LWQ Manager by email or phone (contact information is on the order form).

Please note the 2022-2024 LWML SWD Receipt voucher can also be found on the LWML-SWD webpage under Resources/Society.

Marilyn Belter - LWQ Manager

*Serve the LORD with gladness!*





The LWML SWD Fall Retreat was held on September 23-24, 2022, in Fond du Lac at the Radisson Hotel and Convention Center. Our theme was "Empowered by God's Grace," with the Bible verse, *I can do all things through Him who strengthens me* (Philippians 4:13).

There were 151 in attendance. We learned more about our God-given gifts and how we may use them in our daily lives through our keynote speaker, Karol Selle. Our retreat offerings were divided between the Sheboygan County Hispanic Outreach (3/4) and the Female Church Workers Scholarship Fund (1/4).

Gifts from the Heart donations totaled 695 items for the Fondy Food Pantry, including 217 jars of peanut butter, 122 bags of cereal, 249 fruit and applesauce containers, 144 laundry detergent containers, and 63 miscellaneous items that will help those in need in the Fond du Lac area.

There were a variety of servant events offered during free time, both Friday night and Saturday, for everyone to enjoy and take part of, which included making two church banners with interchangeable words and pictures that reflect the words. These banners will be going to the Sheboygan County Hispanic Outreach Ministry for use during their church services.

Forty cancer care packages (with most items obtained through a Thrivent grant) will be given to the Sheboygan County Cancer Care Fund. Included in these were a tie-dye drawstring

bag, scarf, cushy seatbelt cover, hand lotion, chocolate candies, a colored card of encouragement, and a handmade crocheted heart. These will be distributed to those going through breast cancer treatments.

Colored cards and bookmarks will be given to veterans and others to let them know we are thinking about them. We also held a pumpkin painting and decorating area, where everyone was able to get creative, with many ideas ranging from painting sunflowers and Bible verses to decorating with fall foliage, etc. The finished creations could then be taken into the main conference room to decorate the center of each table for all to enjoy or taken home to add some autumn cheer into their lives. There was a lot of fellowship time at the retreat, and it was great to see everyone enjoying themselves.

The Fall Retreat was a wonderful event that I was so glad to be a part of, with the help of God, the committee and everyone else that helped make it great. I encourage you to sign up to help with an event like this. It is a great opportunity to work with and get to know fellow LWML sisters.

Jodi Schultz  
SWD 2022 Fall Retreat Chair





## Christmas Marketplace

### Greetings from the campus of Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

May God's rich mercy, forgiveness, and peace through our Lord Jesus Christ abide with you and bless all your labors to serve in His Kingdom. Thank you for all you have done to support our Seminary and students. You have graciously helped the students in the past, either by sending gifts, gift cards, quilts, or dollars for the Christmas Marketplace. These gifts encourage the students and bring joy to them making the holidays memorable in many ways.

### Encouraging Best Stewardship of God's Gifts

We ask for your help to encourage the best stewardship of God's gifts. Are you willing to collect gift cards this Christmas season? The gift cards and quilts will be shared with the students before they leave for their Christmas break in December. It would be a blessing to receive:

1. Gift cards in increments of \$10, \$20, or \$25, which may be utilized at local Fort Wayne merchants and national chain stores such as Walmart, Kroger, Target, JCPenney, Meijer, Macy's, or restaurant chains such as Applebees, Cracker Barrel, McDonald's, Olive Garden, Outback Steakhouse, Pizza Hut, Red Robin, Subway, Texas Roadhouse, Wendy's, Culvers, etc.
2. Service station and gas cards from Shell, Marathon, BP, or Speedway in increments of \$25 and above.
3. Cash gifts to purchase dining hall lunch tickets. The lunch tickets allow the students who live off campus to eat lunch on campus rather than needing to bring their meals from home. The cards or cash gifts must arrive at the Seminary by December 1, 2022.



Marketplace Donation

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Congregation Name \_\_\_\_\_

For more information contact Deaconess Katherine Rittner Director of Food & Clothing Co-op at (260) 452-2168 or [Co-ops@ctsfi.edu](mailto:Co-ops@ctsfi.edu)

## Update on Orphan Grain Train—Wisconsin (an LCMS RSO)

We have heard from Orphan Grain Train—Wisconsin and they have three requests:

1. Prayers that the upcoming containers are able to be shipped on time to Liberia, Moldova and Liberia. They hope to have another container going to Ukraine in November.

2. Supplies are needed for the Ukrainian people this winter. There are areas with no electricity, food, and other essentials. Costs have also skyrocketed. Donations of new pillows, sleeping bags -0 or lower temperatures, sleeping mats that are off the ground, winter coats, shoes and boots for all ages, warm gloves, mittens, hats, scarves, new long underwear for all ages, 3'x6' or 7' folding tables, quilts, warm bedding, new warm socks and underwear, CO2 monitors for tents, baby, toddler, children and adult warm clothing. Ukraine winters are much like Wisconsin winters.

3. Monetary donations to buy food and cover shipping costs. We serve the God who owns the cattle on a thousand hills, He is our great provider and He knows the needs we have!! But often He moves through the hearts of His precious people, so we wanted to let you know our needs. Please don't feel like we are asking for big gifts, unless you feel so led, a small gift goes a long way when we all join together as the hands and feet of Christ!! You are all a true blessing to us, and we give thanks to God for each one of you!! This year Wisconsin will have sent out close to 40 containers and loads! We could not do what we do without you!!

Please again, most importantly keep our Wisconsin branch in your prayers for God's wisdom, guidance and provision! And if you can keep our containers covered in your prayers, we would be

deeply thankful!! Please feel free to share this with other OGT family and friends who you think might like our update.

*Now to Him who is able to do exceeding abundantly beyond all that we ask or think...to Him be the Glory! (Ephesians 3:20).* Together we change lives forever!!

In His Faithful Grip,

Cathy L. Robinson

WI – Branch Manager, Orphan Grain Train

608-697-6858

Brakebush Brothers, Inc.

Contact Cathy directly for information to make donations to Orphan Grain Train.



2022 –2024 LWML SWD Theme, Bible verse, and goals!

### Abiding in Christ's LOVE

*Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him and he is in God. So we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him (1 John 4:15-16).*

Serve one another

Study Scripture to know, and

Share CHRIST'S LOVE!



Our Lord has commanded that we take care of widows, orphans and others in need. The women of the South Wisconsin District have taken that command to heart. A look at the list of mission grants shows that the LWML SWD is dedicated to a multitude of needs within our district. The projects to be funded range from Milwaukee after-school programs, playgrounds and community outreach; caring for clergy wives & female inmates; updates at a crisis pregnancy center; and support for seminary families through a food & clothing co-op. Praise God that the first three grants have been fully funded! These grants will help to ensure the following: Orphan Grain Train will be able to continue to ship items to those in need; mental health of students will be provided as necessary and young people pursuing a career in church work will receive assistance with expenses. As the season of Thanksgiving and the celebration of our savior's birth near, we will all be giving thanks for the many blessings our gracious God has provided. Kay Nett—Mission Grants Committee Chair

## ***Donation Day Fort Wayne Seminary***

Thank you, LWML!

While attending Donation Day at Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne, Indiana on October 11, 2022 the words I heard over and over were “thank you.” Seminary Students, faculty, and staff members said, “thank you,” over and over again. Thank you for donations to the food and clothing co-op, for “Adopt a Student” checks, for supporting the Christmas Marketplace, for the Mission Grant of \$10,000 and for the prayers.

I found the day to be eye opening. When I have prayed for our seminary students as I drop coins in my mite box, (Grant #4 is for the Food and Clothing Co-Op) my prayers were very general. On Donation Day, I was given the following list of 16 names to read after chapel, then during lunch I had the opportunity to meet many of these students from SWD. After meeting, visiting, and becoming familiar with their names, now my prayers will be much more personal! I encourage you to pray for these men and women who have answered the call for workers in the harvest field. Pray as they study, write papers, take exams in preparation for the end of the first quarter on November 11, 2022. Pray for them by name; adopt them in your hearts for they are truly brothers and sisters in Christ!

President Cinda

See the full list of names to add to your Prayer List on the next page of the Mission Lamp!





*SWD students at CTSFW  
Seminarian and Deaconess*

Shane Anderson, St. Peter Lutheran, Reedsburg  
Joshua Benish, Good Shepherd Lutheran, Tomah  
James Bruss, Luther Memorial Chapel, Shorewood  
David Christiansen, Luther Memorial Chapel, Shorewood  
Michael Hendrickson, St Peter's Lutheran Church, Arlington  
Brian Nygaard, Immanuel Lutheran, Sheboygan  
Harvey Peters, Trinity Evangelical Lutheran UAC, Milwaukee  
Jonathan Poppe, (grew up at Grace Lutheran, Racine; most recently- St. Paul, Rockford, IL)  
Tanner Sawall, Trinity Lutheran, West Allis  
Chase Greenhagen, St Peter's Lutheran Church, Arlington  
Luke Otten, Trinity, Sheboygan  
Solomona Rakotonirina, St. John, Port Washington  
Richard Sovitzky, Luther Memorial Chapel, Shorewood  
Deirdra Christiansen, Luther Memorial Chapel, Shorewood  
Melissa Lareau, St. John Lutheran, Fredonia  
Samuel Lee, Elm Grove Lutheran, Elm Grove  
(List provided by CTSFW)

Has your group considered adopting a Seminary Student? Links to adopt a Student:

Concordia Theological Seminary-Fort Wayne

[Student Adoption - CTSFW](#)

Concordia Seminary-St. Louis

[Adopt-A-Student - Concordia Seminary \(csl.edu\)](#)

*SWD students at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis  
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Another photo from  
Fall Retreat—see  
more on the  
LWML SWD  
Facebook page!





“Adventures in Equipping Leaders” was the theme for the LWML Assembly of Leaders (AOL) October 19-22, 2022 in St. Louis, MO. The intensive training provided many resources for equipping and exciting YOU, our district LWML leaders at district, zone, and group levels! Opportunities to explore *What's Your Why?*, *Mission Grants-A Global Adventure*, and *Me a Leader? Yes!* are three of 20 topics of adventure to be shared at upcoming events such as the Zone President's Training on November 5th, Executive Committee and Board of Director meetings, Leadership Workshops in March of 2023, and future Fall Retreats and Winter Getaways!

The theme verse is *Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen* (Hebrews 13:20-21). Your AOL team, Cinda Poppe, Jennifer Olen, Joan Anderson, Jill Jones, and Jr. Pastoral Counselor Rev. Lewis Polzin, is excited to share these tools to equip you as you serve the Lord Jesus through the LWML.



### Join us in our Adventure to Equip Leaders!

We are excited to share with you some of the incredible information that was learned at the Assembly of Leaders held October 19-22 in St. Louis. Be sure to mark your calendars so as not to miss out on learning some incredible leadership tips. These workshops will come your way next spring on Saturday, March 4th at Good Shepherd Lutheran in Watertown and another one on Saturday, March 18th at Trinity Lutheran in Wisconsin Dells. Both of these events will begin at 9:00 a.m. and will finish by 3:00 p.m. Hope to see many of you there!

### CHRISTIAN LIFE

Prayer. When do you need it? When do you use it?

Jesus—the one true sacrificial lamb—went to the cross with all of our sins upon him that through his death and resurrection he was able to reopen the door to the Father that had been closed since Adam and Eve first sinned.

If ever there was a reason to be thankful to God, that is number one. I find myself having more people to pray for every day and more events happening in the world and at home that can have a big impact on our own lives and safety, a huge reason to pray! Also regarding the future awaiting our children and grandchildren—take it to the Lord in prayer.

If you have the 2021-2023 *Faith Building Help for Groups*, I invite you to look at the skits and find *Dial Free 1-800*. This skit has a woman talking into her cell phone for a conversation with God. God's answers to her come in the form of Scripture. This would be a wonderful short skit to use at a gathering or a rally, reminding us of God's answers to our cares and concerns.

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## Women in Mission in ACTION!

St. Luke Lutheran Church LWML, Lyndon Station did several projects including ordering **80** Children's Arch Books, stamping our church name into them and then dividing up and distributing them among several Little Free Libraries in the Lyndon Station, Mauston, Reedsburg and New Lisbon WI areas.



**80**  
YEARS

### HELP WANTED!!

Please consider the following vacant positions within LWML-SWD:

Public Relations

Missionary Outreach and Mission Education

Gladness Rags

Contact President Cinda Poppe if interested or with names to suggest!!

## LWML on the Go!

Exhibiting at the Lutheran Education Association Convocation in Milwaukee are Carolyn Blum and LWML Public Relations Director Susan Donnelly. Stopping by to say thank you for the 2021-2023 Mission Grant #25, Mission Nation Publishing was Cliff Bira. Also stopping by today was Stacy McGhee, President/CEO of Lutheran Special Education Ministries.

From the LWML SWD Facebook page



*Serve the LORD with gladness!*





## Events to Remember

Nov 5, 2022	Zone Presidents Training Bethlehem, Wales
Nov 15, 2022	Statistical reports due
Nov 15, 2022	Group Officer Forms due Zone Officer Forms due
Dec 15, 2022	2023 Spring Rally PR due
Jan 15, 2023	Mission Lamp Articles due
NO WINTER GETAWAY SCHEDULED	
Feb 4, 2023	EC Meeting Monona
Feb 18, 2023	BOD Meeting Peace, Beaver Dam
Feb 25, 2023	SNOW date for BOD meeting
Mar 4, 2023	Leadership Workshop Good Shepherd, Watertown
Mar 18, 2023	Leadership Workshop Trinity, Wisconsin Dells
April 15, 2023	Heart to Heart Sisters of All Nations event Immanuel Lutheran, Brookfield
June 15, 2023	2023 Fall Rally PR due

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