

What a Difference a Year Makes!

One year ago, I was writing as your newly elected district president, and we were all focused on a virus that was turning our lives upside down. Our district convention had to be cancelled, people were being asked to work from home, children were thrust into remote learning, and, of all things, people were hoarding toilet paper! In the last twelve months we saw suicide rates rise; the elderly were basically imprisoned in facilities around the country; and people were sick and dying in hospitals without any of their loved ones at their side. For many of us those were OUR loved ones.



One year ago, I wrote about "change" and the 3 "P" words – Prayer, Perseverance, and Persistence. Little did I know then, how long we would have to persevere! But we did – we prayed, we persevered, and we persisted. This occurred not just in our everyday lives but in our spiritual lives as well.

Praise God! There are some things that never change. Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ is with us in the present and for eternity.

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever (Hebrews 13:8, ESV).

And our Great God promises not to forsake us!

"Be strong and courageous. Do not fear or be in dread of them, for it is the Lord your God who goes with you. He will not leave you or forsake you (Deuteronomy 31:6, ESV)."

As Lutheran Women in Mission, we held on to these promises. We did not focus on what we couldn't do. We DID what we could do. We continued to worship, even if it was remotely. We continued to pray, and maybe even prayed more than before. And we did all the things the LWML is known for. We collected our mites for missions, we held virtual Bible studies and gatherings – including our convention, we phoned and sent cards when we couldn't visit shut-ins, we planned future events confident that God would guide us, and we even had the courage to hold a few in-person gatherings.

The "change" that I referenced a year ago, took place in our district LWML despite the pandemic. We learned to use Zoom for meetings. Our committees got to know each other and plan for the biennium. We updated our webpage, established our Endowment Fund, started an eNews letter, and streamlined some of our processes.

But there is still much to do! Therefore, we will continue to Pray, Persevere, and Persist with the leading of the Holy Spirit. And, as many of us have just returned home from the LWML convention in Lexington, KY, we will be inspired to "run the race that is set before us"!

"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, ESV).

Love you to pieces!!!
President Candy
[\(email\)](#)



What Amazing Insight!

Several years ago I was driving on the freeway on a rainy day. Cruising along about 60 m.p.h. I spotted a dog ahead starting to cross the road. There was a car next to me, and a ditch on the other side. There was no way to avoid hitting the dog.

I did, and it caused extensive damage to my car. I managed to get it to an exit and soon a tow truck happened by (thanks, Lord). The driver agreed to take me 75 miles to the body shop.

On the way, we had a pleasant conversation. At one point I lamented what had happened and how inconvenient it was. What stood out—and what I'll never forget—is the driver's reply:

"What if God caused that dog to run out to prevent something worse happening to you farther up the road?"

What amazing insight! What a simple, yet humbling lesson to remind me about God, His love and His care. While there's no way to know if the driver was correct, there's no way to know that he wasn't. That brings to mind the mysterious ways of God.

How often do we experience things in life and wonder why God would let those things happen? "Why is this happening?" "There can't possibly be a reason for this!"

Especially during difficult times, it's tempting to wonder about God's care and presence instead of trusting Him when He says He cares for us and always is with us. We tend to see little more than what we desire, instead of trusting the Lord that He is leading us through this fallen world to the everlasting kingdom.

"My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts" (Isaiah 55:8).

Thank God for that! He rules over the heavens and the earth and works all things for the good of those whom He calls His own. Though we often don't remember it, God works all things for our good and our salvation.

Remember; sending His innocent Son to die on a cross for our sins doesn't make sense to human reason. But it makes perfect sense to Him, who knew even before creation that He would save us from the depths of hell that sin earns.

Therefore, we rejoice in His deliverance from sin and death. Though we have nothing to offer God, He gives us a place in His house, anyway. Doesn't make sense, but His ways are not our ways, His thoughts are not our thoughts.

We'll take it. And we rejoice that, though the world sees the cross as foolishness, by the Spirit of God we know it for what it is—the power of God for our salvation (1 Corinthians 1:18).

And those who know your name put their trust in you, for you, O Lord, have not forsaken those who seek you (Psalm 9:10).

Pastor Krogen
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DISTRICT DEAF MINISTRY LIAISON

Greetings! Hope everyone had an up-lifting convention experience. As your Deaf Ministry Liaison for the Mid-South District, I encourage you all to visit our National website at www.lwml.org for a direct link to the "Deaf Ministry" page. There are [YouTube](#) lessons and so much information on this site. Simply spend some time searching the different links provided and practice some of the exercises. It never hurts to learn something new or to sharpen skills on things we have not used in a while. Sign language is something that everyone can learn. Helps our brain to think too! We do word puzzles to strengthen our recollection and such, so sign language involvement is no different. Many parts of the brain are utilized and put to work! Give it a try. I promise it isn't very hard.

Even if you learned nothing else in signing, if you know the alphabet, you can sign out anything by spelling it! You just never know when that might come in handy!

The deaf ministry is just another avenue to help serve others. I so hope you will give it a shot and try it out! If your church has any deaf ministry needs, please contact me at vleubanks65@gmail.com or shoot me a text at 901-870-8706.

Blessings,
Vicki Eubanks
District Deaf Ministry Liaison



FREE BIBLE STUDY with Leader Guide

Living in the Days of Noah — Today

A sample study from the **NEW Faith Building Help for Groups**.

[View Resource](#)



Dear Sisters in Christ,

I pray that everyone enjoyed the LWML Convention and are now looking forward to our Mid-South District Convention in 2022! At the district convention, **we will elect 2nd Vice President, 4th Vice President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Pastoral Counselor, and the Nominating Committee.** This month, the Nominating Committee will be meeting to start planning on finding

and asking people to run for the different positions. If you are interested and would like to see a description of what each office does, please go to the district website at www.midsouthlwml.org, click on About, and then select the items for District Bylaws and District Directives.

No matter what office you run for, there will be a great group of people to help you when you need it. I was scared at first when I became 1st Vice President, but God has blessed me with an amazing group of women and men to work with and to talk to if I ever need help with anything. I have found this to be a very rewarding and amazing experience! If you would like to volunteer to run, please contact me by going to www.midsouthlwml.org/contact-us/ and be sure to put First VP in the subject line. If you do receive a call, please prayerfully consider saying yes and running for an office.

"Serve the Lord with gladness!
Come into his presence with singing
(Psalm 100:2, ESV)!"

Sincerely,
Jane Hubsch, 1st. V.P.

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Time to Think About Mission Grant Requests!

It is not too early to start looking around in your congregation and community for worthy projects that would benefit from mission grant funding. Not sure where to look? Here are some suggestions:

Lutheran Schools – there are 22 Lutheran schools and preschools in the Mid-South District. Whoever heard of a school that had all the resources it needed??? Just think, Lutheran schools are places where not only children hear and learn God's Word, but most likely their parents become more involved as well.

Seminarians and Church Workers – who is going to lead us into the future? Who is going to teach those children in Lutheran Schools? There is a desperate need for scholarships for pastors and church workers.

Life Ministry Organizations – We live in a time when people think it is acceptable to take the lives of unborn babies. Many women see abortion as their only alternative. We need to support Christian organizations that offer other alternatives as well as support for both mother and baby.

Begin by praying that God will guide you to the organizations or ministries in your area that He wants to bless. Then, make a list of potential recipients, do some research on them, and make an appointment to discuss possible projects that could use support. Just remember the key criteria are that the project:

- Fits into the plans and projections of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod and the LC-MS District.
- Is mission focused in emphasis, extending the ministry of the Word.
- Is current and ready for implementation.
- Is well documented.

God's blessings on your efforts! For more information visit the Mission Grants Information page [HERE](#). Or, go to www.midsouthlwml.org, click on Missions, then Mission Grant Request Forms.

How can I run a race if I am encumbered with stuff?

By the time you read this, we will be celebrating together at the LWML Convention in Lexington, KY; "Running the Race... Looking to Jesus." Life sometimes feels like a race, are you running a sprint or a long distance? We may each be running at a different pace for the different seasons of our lives, but the training is the same, look to Jesus.

I am beginning a new season myself. I am staring at boxes to sort and put away. I retired after teaching high school math for 17 years. And the school is closing, so everything had to be removed from our rooms. How can I run a race if I am encumbered with stuff? Two of my daughters just had babies, so I am also running across the state to help them. I sometimes feel like I am running all over! With this new season, I need to make sure I am preparing for this new race by looking to Jesus for direction.

Are you furthering your training by planning to attend one of the district retreats this September? The theme is "Our Hope and Future" and is based on Jeremiah 29:11 -12. "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. Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you." We will participate in a 4-part Bible Study by Donna Pyle Snow, "Our Hope and Future". Ask a friend to join you in training. This will be an opportunity to retreat from the world for just a little while; to sing, to study God's Word, and to share with other women.

The WEST retreat will be held September 10 – 12 at Mount Eagle Retreat Center in Clinton, AR. The MIDDLE retreat will be held September 17 – 19 at Camp Garner Creek in Dickson, TN and the EAST retreat will be held September 24 – 27 at Eagle Rock in Tallassee, TN. The cost for each person is \$155 and the registration form is on the midsouthlwml.org website under District Retreats. The registration deadlines vary by location, but don't wait, register now. If you have already asked a friend, ask another, or how about asking a young woman in your congregation to attend with you? Training is so much more fun with friends.

I hope to see you at the convention or at one of the retreats! Get your training shoes on! Let us run the race set out before us!

Serving Joyfully with you!
Becky Grese

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MISSION GRANTS UPDATE

Can you believe that half of the year has already gone by? Hope everyone is doing well.

Since last quarter we paid one grant which we paid in two installments in April and May.

The River Ministry – Women and Children – Replace 6 washers and 6 dryers, service contract - \$10,000

The next mission grants to be paid are as follows:

Faith Lutheran Child Care & Preschool – Flooring for renovated house/Sun shade or sail for playground - \$6,000

Inspiritus - Building Healthy Families - Purchase program supplies, caring closet items, meeting meals - \$5,000

Oasis Women's Ministry - Renovating an area for Bible study - Furniture, cabinets, Bible St prog - \$5,000

We also need to pay the third installment of the grant for "Financial Aid for Professional Church Workers" which will be \$3,750 in October.

The new mission grants at the national level were selected during June, 2021. The 2021-2023 mission goal is \$2,150,000 with 90% of this going toward mission grants. You can find the list of the 2021-2023 mission Grants on <https://www.lwml.org/mission-grants>. There is also a video that highlights these grants on this link.

I received the Mission Grant Report for the Concordia Seminary St. Louis International Graduate School Student's Support which was the grant we paid in March. This report can be found up on the Mid South District website. Included in the report were the following pictures of three students that attend the Concordia Seminary St Louis International Graduate School which mentioned in this report.



Ebise Ayana,
a Doctor of
Philosophy student
from Addis Ababa,
Ethiopia



Alan Furst a
Ph.D. student
from Ipiranga
do Norte, Brazil



Rev. Joseph Abuor
a Master of Arts
(M.A.) student
from Nyamira,
Kenya.

Blessings
Sandra Arnold
3rd Vice President
[\(email\)](#)



Middle Tennessee Zone at the LWML 39th Biennial Convention in Lexington, KY. From left to right, pictured with the Mid-South District banner are Darlene Buckner, Carolen Weeks, Judy Gilbert, Carol Childress, Ora Mae Golter, Sandra Arnold, Joilyn George, Linda Nutter, Carie Coon, Celeste Black, Debbie Jones, and Vicky Kline.

LWML Mid-South District 2021 Retreats

Our Hope & Future

A Bible Study by Donna Snow

“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. Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you” (Jeremiah 29:11–12 NIV).

Based on Jeremiah 29:11–12, presents the question: are you concerned about the future? This study helps us gain insight by replacing the worries of the world with God's truth and reassurance. Discover God's plans for a life of hope, faith, and support in Him.



WEST

September 10-12

Mount Eagle Retreat Center

www.mounteagle.org

[935 Beal Road](#)
[Clinton, AR](#) (Map)

[Registration Form – West](#)

[Flyer – West](#)



MIDDLE

September 17-19

Camp Garner Creek

www.campgarnercreek.org

[700 Sam Hollow Road](#)
[Dickson, TN](#) (Map)

[Registration Form – Middle](#)

[Flyer – Mid](#)



EAST

September 24-26

Eagle Rock Retreat Center

www.eaglerockcamp.com

[7143 Flats Road](#)
[Tallahassee, TN](#) (Map)

[Registration Form – East](#)

[Flyer – East](#)

[Participation Waiver – East](#)

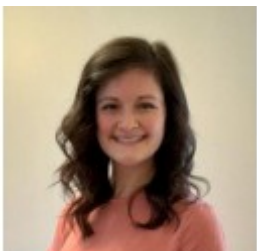
The 2021 LWML Convention from a Young Woman Representative's Perspective

Susanna Beeler:



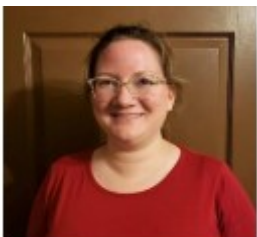
I returned from my first LWML national convention feeling truly blessed and excited about seeing all my new friends at the next biennial convention. My mountaintop experiences were worshipping and taking communion with so many Lutheran sisters and brothers, and missionary Gary's assertion that the older he gets the simpler it gets. He inspired me to believe in miracles and expect them from Jesus. I agree with him that there will be no denominations in heaven. I was also interested to learn more about the many missions our mite money supports. I have a personal interest in helping individuals with disabilities and was deeply affected by Kristine Leonard's lunch presentation on the Bethesda ministry.

Julie Duncan:



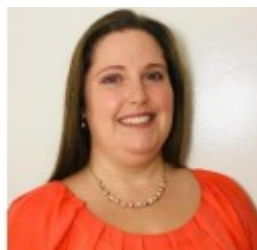
Easily one of my favorite parts of the LWML national convention was the flag procession of all the countries LWML ladies' support! It was super cool to see all the flags - very humbling. Just to remember how small I am, but how VAST God's kingdom is! No person is beyond Christ's reach to redeem! I also greatly enjoyed the communion service on opening night. Being in the Lord's presence with over 3,000 fellow, like-minded Lutheran believers was something I will remember for life. So grateful for the opportunity I got to expand my vision of what God is doing through the LWML.

Nikki Holcomb:



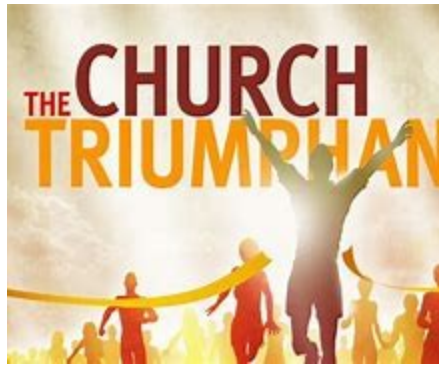
I did not have a lot of energy going into the convention but after the first day my energy was back. I felt everyone's energy and drive and enthusiasm, and it was a mountain top experience for me. All the ladies I met were so amazing and I just loved being around people again. After this experience I am excited to spread the Word and enthusiasm to all.

April Tester:



My highlights were getting to see and learn about the many ways that the LWML is involved in missions. It was so wonderful to see the reward of the mite contributions and to know that we really are Jesus' hands and feet. Another highlight was seeing all the women (and a few fellas) that are dedicated to being there and supporting each other. To know that each individual LWML group or district is not alone, but we are a part of so much more and to have so many folks in the same room worshipping God and believing in His promises was beyond amazing. I loved my experience and cannot wait to gather again in 2023!





Remembering Irma Pinkerton – LWML Mid-South District President 1992-1996

On Friday June 25th 2021 at 7:50 am, Irma Strache Pinkerton was called home to be with her Heavenly Father after a four year battle with breast cancer. As a sister, wife, mother, grandmother, teacher, and friend, she touched the lives of so many people. Her husband, Bob, and son, Chris, were both by her side as she took her final breaths. Following her wishes, she will be cremated and eventually laid to rest next to her son, Bob, in Paducah, KY at a future date. A Celebration of Life service will be held at Ascension Lutheran Church in Tucson, AZ on August 7, 2021. In place of flowers or funeral donations, Irma requested that donations be made to your favorite charity, Cross of Christ Lutheran Church in Chattanooga, TN, or Ascension Lutheran Church in Tucson, AZ.

Susan Jones - Well Done Good and Faithful Servant

Susan Jones, a 60 year member of LWML, received her crown of glory on June 9, 2021. She served in a variety of positions in her local group at Trinity Lutheran (Memphis), West Tennessee Zone, and the LWML Mid-South District (the last being 3rd Vice President). She was the secretary for Dan Hesse, Thrivent Rep in Memphis for many years and after she retired, she volunteered at the LCMS Mid-South District office in Memphis. She was a mentor to so many women and always had a smile on her face and a cheerful disposition. Even while battling pancreatic cancer for the past 3 years, her faith was strong and she knew she would be healed in heaven if not here on earth. She now joins her parents, husband Bobby, and daughter Marie in heaven and is free from pain and suffering. She leaves on earth her daughter Diane Johnston and several grandchildren. As Christians, we are assured that we will see Susan again when we leave this earth and are united with Jesus in the mansion He has prepared for us. Memorials may be given to Trinity Lutheran Church in Memphis or the LWML Mid-South District Endowment Fund.



PRAYER SERVICE

The 2021 Prayer Service, written by past LWML Pastoral Counselor Rev. Robert Mundahl, is "He Prayed with Them," based on Acts 20:36b.

When was the last time you prayed with someone?

Not for someone, but with someone?

We are encouraged in Scripture to be people of prayer, and prayer marks us as children of the heavenly Father. He has promised to hear us and to answer our prayers. May the 2021 Prayer Service encourage and expand our life of prayer to include praying with others. [Available here](#)



Calling all Prayer Warriors!

We have established a prayer chain and invite all Lutheran Women in Mission to participate. If you would like to be a Prayer Warrior, send an email with your name and email address to lwmlmsdprayer@gmail.com. Prayer requests should be sent to the same email address. Please review the prayer chain guidelines [HERE](#) or by going to www.midsouthlwml.org, selecting Christian Life, and then selecting Prayer Chain Guidelines.

HELP Love GROW

Ben was eighty years old. He was in great shape for his age. Until fifteen years ago he had worked very hard, establishing his own business. The Lord blessed that effort with great value in that business. Upon retirement, it was time for Ben to enjoy more recreation time. He lined up four different groups with whom to golf throughout the week. His wife and he loved to gather with family and friends. In their new busy schedule of retirement, there was little energy left to review their estate plan. Ben had always said that 25% of his assets, except for the house, would be a gift to their congregation. Eventually, Ben agreed to meet with an LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor and discovered that all his financial accounts were directed by beneficiary designations that would give 100% to his wife or 100% to their son. Since the will directed that their house be given to their son, and 100% of their financial accounts would be going to their son, what was left was about \$3,500 in the checking account that would be controlled by the gifting language of their will. This successful businessman was going to give a \$750 gift to his church. That was not what Ben wanted at all! This realization moved him to put down the golf clubs for one day to work on his plans. After items were updated, Ben commented that he was really at peace knowing that their plan was secure and in place. He rejoiced in the gift that would be going to ministry. Are you like Ben and his wife? Is it time for a review of your plans?

Twenty years ago, you put a plan together when your list of assets was much different than it is today. Your investment advisor is different. You do not own the same accounts. You may have rolled over 401ks into an IRA. An insurance policy disappeared; another has changed status. Do you understand the significance of all those changes? Have you properly filled out beneficiary designation change forms? Your LWML Gift Planning Counselor can help connect the dots between current assets and past plans, identifying where there may have been some drift. Contact Diane Reimold, Gifts of Love Advocate for the Mid-South District (giftsoflove@midsouthlwml.org) or Linda Gage, Gift Planning Counselor for our district (linda.gage@lfnd.org) for help in updating your charitable gift plan.



"Undies Sundays"

For three Sundays in April, the congregation at Grace Lutheran Church in Little Rock, Arkansas collected underwear, socks, and towels for women and children in shelters in the Little Rock area. According to Deaconess Eileen Esget, who organized the collection, "This is an awesome way to come alongside our neighbors going through a difficult season in their life." She also provided this quote from Dr. Luther:

"To find Christ . . . in poverty teaches how we should find him in our neighbors, the lowliest and the most needy; . . . that in actual life we should incline to the needy."

You too can implement "Undies Sundays" in your congregation! Just be sure to contact shelters in your area to find out what their specific needs might be. There could be other items needed in addition to socks, underwear, and towels. Publish the list of needed items well in advance and then watch how God richly provides!



Mission Possible! East Tennessee Zone Christian Life Workshop

On April 10, 2021, twenty-nine women from nine LWML societies in the East Tennessee Zone gathered at Faith Lutheran Church in Oak Ridge for a time of fellowship, Bible study, singing and service.

We assembled 20 household cleaning kits, and 20 hygiene kits. And, we collected gas/fuel card for the Family Resource Center located within Willow Brook Elementary School in Oak Ridge. Jo Bruce, Director of the Resource Center, gave a passionate presentation explaining the mission of the Family Resource Center and how it works to assist "at risk" children and their families in the prevention and eradication of problems that interfere with their ability to become fully functioning and independent members of their community. Jo Bruce was overwhelmed with the generosity of the items collected at the in-gathering stating that when families are struggling to make ends meet the additional cost of cleaning and hygiene supplies is often a luxury.

"I'll tell you the best thing, truthfully, is when I get a call back from a child that I haven't seen in years and they tell me that they've received a scholarship or a parent who gets a job or when a parent gets a home," she said. "All of those kinds of things are the kinds of successes that I really aim for."

Respectfully submitted,
Susan C. Heitner
East Tennessee Zone Christian Life Chairman



ENDOWMENT FUND NEWS

We are gaining on our \$25,000 minimum balance in the Endowment Fund to start making distributions from it. The Mid-South District LWML Board of Directors voted to transfer \$2,000 from the General Fund to the Endowment Fund, bringing the balance of the Endowment Fund to slightly over \$20,000. That leaves us less than \$5,000 to go to reach our minimum balance necessary to make distributions.

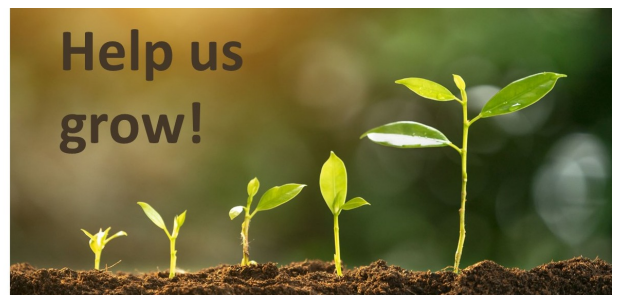
This wonderful opportunity was made possible because we were not able to hold our district convention in person. This saved money from the Mid-South District LWML budget because there were no board travel expenses to pay. The General Fund already had a good balance in it but with these savings from the district convention, the General Fund balance was even more robust. The Endowment Fund Committee recommended the \$2,000 transfer to the board of directors who in turn approved it. Thank you to everyone who has had a part in bringing our Endowment Fund goal that much closer.

If you are interested in donating to the Endowment Fund or leaving a gift to the Fund from your estate, please go to the Mid-South LWML website under ["RESOURCES"](#) Menu for more information or [contact me, Erin Foster.](#)

Sincerely,
Erin M. Foster
Chairman
Mid-south District LWML Endowment Committee

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Did you know that the Mid-South LWML District has an **eNews**. Our **eNews** comes out once a month by email. It contains all the things we need to know at a quick glance. Yes, you can read it in a couple of minutes during your busy day. If you need more information, then click on the links provided. Sign up today by going to the RESOURCE tab on our website today at www.midsouthlwml.org, select Publications, then eNews. Or click [HERE](#).



eNews

Lutheran Women in Mission

Greetings from Chattanooga! The LWML Chattanooga Zone Spring Christian Workshop

Greetings from Chattanooga! The LWML Chattanooga Zone Spring Christian Workshop was held on May 22, 2021 at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. Our Theme was Deuteronomy 15:11 - 'For there will never cease to be poor in the land. Therefore, I command you, 'You shall open wide your hand to your brother, to the needy and to the poor, in your land.' Our Ingathering was 300 personal hygiene kits, joyfully assembled and donated to The Chattanooga Community Kitchen for our homeless brothers and sisters in need. We thank Pastor Chris Sheets for the Worship Service, Thrivent who helped support this project, and to our speakers, Trish King, Church Outreach Coordinator from the Community Kitchen and Deb Cate from the Good Shepherd Homeless Breakfast Outreach. A monetary donation was given to the Homeless Breakfast Outreach Ministry to help with food purchase; and a free will offering was taken up for Mites. Fellowship and a brown bag lunch followed the kit assembly. We pray for the homeless, poor and hungry. Let us continue to serve the Lord with Gladness!



LWML Mid-South District Convention



"Planting Seeds of Faith", 1 Corinthians 3:6.

LWML Mid-South District Convention is scheduled for June 10-12, 2022

Are you ready for some excitement! Then plan to attend the LWML Mid-South District convention in Clarksville, Tennessee, June 10-12, 2022! The host committee, led by Deanna Gregg, is well into the planning. Here are some key items you'll want to know:

The **location** is the TownePlace Suites by Marriott in Clarksville which is conveniently located at exit 4 off Interstate 24. In addition to the TownePlace Suites, sleeping rooms will be available at the Fairfield Inn & Suites and Courtyard by Marriott which are both within walking distance.

The **keynote speaker** will be Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz, Executive Director of the Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty and Speaker Emeritus of the Lutheran Hour!

The **song leader** and banquet entertainer will be Wendysue Fluegge. Some of you may remember Wendysue as the song leader at the 2017 LWML convention in Albuquerque.

Get this date on your calendar now! You definitely do not want to miss this convention!!!

April 17th, the **Senior Ministry of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Memphis** hosted a talent show to raise money for Immanuel Lutheran's school scholarship program. Five women, Diane Reimold, Vicki Eubanks, Dee Sobocienski, Lequeta Ferguson and Shirley Piepenbrink, from Immanuel's LWML acted out a skit called ESTATE SALE! Everyone enjoyed a good laugh with this.



Mission Grant Presentation to The River

On Saturday, May 15, a check for \$5,000 was presented to Stacy Larsen, Executive Director of The River in Johnson City, Tennessee. This amount is one-half of the total grant amount. The River is a women's ministry that provides both practical and spiritual support to women in the Johnson City area.

The check was presented by Susan Burkey and Ann Larson, both members of Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Johnson City. Also in attendance was Candy Habich, LWML Mid-South District President.

Read more about this mission grant recipient at www.midsouthlwml.org/grantinfo/MissionGrantG.pdf.

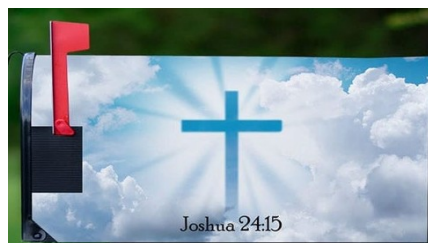


CURB SIDE WITNESSING

Those of us with mail boxes at the curb or close to it have the opportunity to witness our faith to the folks driving by.

Mail box covers are readily available online from several sources. Just use the browser on your computer or other device to search for the phrase "Christian mailbox covers".

There are not a lot religious covers available, so you will have to search through the inventory of each source to find one that "fits" you.



The deadline for the October issue of the League Letter is September 26.

So, please get with it now,

webmaster@midsouthlwml.org

***Make Time
To
Slow Down
and relax***

