



Serve the Lord with Gladness...Psalm 100:2

*Lutheran Women's Missionary League
Messiah Lutheran Church - LCMS
Lakeville, Minnesota
Annual Handbook
2011 - 2012*



The League Pledge

In fervent gratitude for the Savior's dying love and His blood-bought gift of redemption we dedicate ourselves to Him with all that we are and have; and in obedience to His call for workers in the harvest fields, we pledge Him our willing service wherever and whenever He has need of us. We consecrate

*to our Savior our hands to
work for Him, our feet to
go on His errands, our
voice to sing His praises,
our lips to proclaim His
redeeming love, our silver
and our gold to extend
His Kingdom, our will to
do His will, and every
power of our life to the
great task of bringing the
lost and the erring into
eternal fellowship with
Him.*

Amen

Messiah's LWML Officers
2011 – 2012

<i>President~</i>	<i>Nancy Sower</i>
<i>Vice President~</i>	<i>Barb Durst</i>
<i>Secretary~</i>	<i>Char Zurn</i>
<i>Treasurer~</i>	<i>Cyndy Nybo</i>
<i>Christian Life~</i>	<i>Ricarda Julich-Reinhart</i>
<i>Human Care~</i>	<i>Debbie Perron</i>

Make God's Mission Your Mission

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

Purpose

To stimulate Christian fellowship; to further Christian growth; to work in the interest of the Messiah's Lutheran Women's Missionary League.

MEMBERSHIP

All women of the congregation are invited to participate in the society activities. Voting membership is to be granted to all ladies who have signed the LWML bylaws of Messiah Lutheran Church.

Committees

Publicity	Nancy Sower
Membership	Marilyn Vrudny & Barb Durst
Cards	
Sales	Nadine Bornitz
Sunshine	Nadine Bornitz
Bylaws	Darleen Harens
Historian	Marilyn Vrudny
Audit	Darleen Harens
Delegate	Jan Carlson
Baptismal Gifts	Pam Radloff
Weddings & Funerals	Debbie Heid & Pam Radloff
Campus Ministry	Pam Radloff
Kitchen Coordinator	Debbie Heid

Ministries & Services

Mites For Missions.

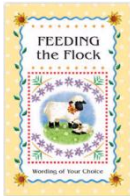


E~Mail Prayer Chain



Baptismal Gifts for newly baptized children.

Campus Ministry for Messiah's young adults attending college.



Cookbooks, Christian Cards and Napkins provided for sale.

Fundraisers for Missions and Human Care.



Managing the Kitchen.

Special Event Serving



Lydia Circle

Lydia Circle is comprised of a group of ladies who get together for fellowship, encouragement, missions, and laughter.

Devotions, Bible Study, Birthday Celebrations, and Mite collections are part of their meetings. They meet once a month, in the afternoon. New members and guests are ALWAYS welcome.



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Lydia Circle Members



Grovender	Gladys	952.895.9520	05/14	138
Hoger	Char	952.469.1170	4/12	175
Hovland	Carolyn	952.469.1924	11/2	182
Karpenko	Michele	651.344.8579	6/27	242
Koehn	Vera	651.463.4067	11/6	214
Koelling	Diana	952.435.2580	6/20	213
Kraft	Donna	651.423.1312	4/19	218
Petersen	Lois	952.322.3436	8/29	312
Olson	Cookie	952.432.1050	7/11	301
Plumhoff	Nylene	952.435.5095	11/11	320
Possehl	Irene	952.469.8345	6/23	322
Snell	Lorraine	952.440.1565	4/28	362
Swenson	Joan	952.432.7983	9/29	370
Zeihl	Onie	952.226.5926	6/16	434

Hostess Guidelines for Monthly Meetings

Each meeting that requires hostesses is chaired by an LWML Board Member. She will notify other members for assistance with set-up, serving and cleaning up. The Hostesses are responsible for getting the tables' ready, providing dessert & beverage, paper products, and a Door Prize. In addition, the Hostesses are responsible for cleaning up afterwards.

If you are unable to serve the month you are assigned, please make arrangements to change with someone else.



Thursday, September 8, 2011
6:30 pm, Fireside Room

Tea in memory of Dianne Cafferty



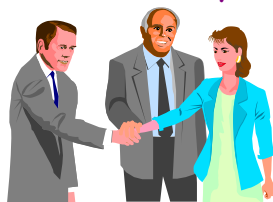
Chair Hostess: Nancy Sower

Co-Hostesses: The LWML Executive Board

LWML Sunday

October 8th & 9th, 2011

Women will serve as Greeters, Readers, and Ushers.



Come and Celebrate LWML Sunday

{LWML Members - please wear purple!}

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**Thursday, October 13, 2011
6:30 pm, Fireside Room**



2011 LWML Convention Highlights

Chair Hostess: Cyndy Nybo

Co-Hostesses: Marge Spang, Jan Carlson & Lois Petersen



**Thursday, November 10, 2011
6:30 pm, Fireside Room**

Bea Haagenson - Board of Directors of Global
Health Ministries

Chair Hostess: Debbie Perron

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Co-Hostesses: Connie Gunderson, Pam
Radloff & Res Sternberg



Baking in the Spirit
Fall Bake Sale
Sunday, November 13, 2011

Sales Before & After Early and Late Services



Advent by Candlelight
Sunday, December 4, 2011
5:30 pm, Family Life Center

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*Various Hostesses with the
“Men of Integrity” Servers*

{no meeting in December}

*Thursday, January 12, 2012
6:30 pm, Fireside Room*



Latte

Chair Hostess: Char Zurn

*Co~Hostesses: Marilyn Vrudney, Nadine Bornitz
&
Debbie Heid*

*Thursday, February 9, 2012
6:30 pm, Fireside Room*



Project to be determined

Chair Hostess: Darleen Harens

Co-Hostesses: Joyce Moynihan, Ruth Luhman & Gen Carlson

Ash Wednesday, February 22, 2012

Serving Lenten Supper



THURSDAY, MARCH 8, 2012
6:30 PM, FIRESIDE ROOM

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GUEST SPEAKER TO BE ANNOUNCED

(SLATE OF NEW OFFICERS TO BE PRESENTED)

Chair Hostess: Barb Durst

Co-Hostesses: Jill Harms & Darleen Harens



March Bake Sale March 11, 2012 “Muffins for Missions”



Donations accepted; sales between Services



(No Meeting in April)

Easter Sunday April 8, 2012



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CHRIST IS RISEN!

***Thursday, May 10, 2012
6:30 pm, Fireside Room***



Salad & Games!

Election & Installation of Officers for 2012-2013

Chair Hostess: Ricarda Julich-Reinhart
Co-Hostesses: Linda Lindberg, Phyllis Krieg

& Elaine Hartl

*UPCOMING DATES TO
REMEMBER:*

*October 8, 2011
Lyndale Conference
Southeast Suburban Zone
Christ Church, Eagan, Minnesota*

June 22-24, 2012

*Minnesota South District LWML
Convention
Mankato, Minnesota*

Messiah's LWML Members



Bornitz	Nadine	952.440.5720	10/29	049
Carlson	Gen	952.431.5403	3/8	074
Carlson +	Jan	952.890.3827	8/3	077
Durst	Barb	952.898.2950	8/11	101
Fry	Becky	952.891.5222	11/10	125
Gunderson	Connie	952.431.4390	12/04	141
Harens	Darleen	952.435.6910	8/4	158
Harms	Jill	952.432.5658	8/4	156
Hartl	Elaine	952.431.7708	1/30	159
Heid	Debbie	952.894.5262	6/21	163
Julich-Reinhart	Ricarda	952.432.4852	7/21	336
Kennedy	Carolyn	651.344.7112	1/28	206
<i>Kowalke</i>	<i>Evelyn</i>	<i>952.423.1376</i>	<i>9/7</i>	<i>217</i>
Krieg	Phyllis	952.891.2640	9/30	221
Lindberg	Linda	952.239.7741	5/3	249
Luhman	Ruth	952.432.8254	8/19	252
Menough	Barbara	952.465.3773	9/12	274
Moynihan	Joyce	952.469.3897	1/3	278
Nybo	Cyndy	952.652.2933	11/14	297
Oldenburg	Sue	952.440.4672	5/9	304
Perron	Debbie	952.461.2717	6/28	294
Petersen	Lois	952.332.3436	8/29	312
Radloff	Pam	952.890.5416	10/5	332
Riley	Chari	952.431.1598	5/9	337
Schulze	Beth	952.236.0219	7/14	389
Sower	Nancy	952.997.6685	3/07	396
Spang	Marge	952.226.4868	4/13	364
Sternberg	Res	952.435.6883	9/26	367
VanOsdel	Julie	952.431.3397	3/20	399
Vrudny	Marilyn	952.435.7875	8/11	407
Zurn	Char	952.985.4136	7/25	437

+ LWML Zone / District Representative

Italics indicate Serving Members only.

2011-2013 Biennium

Mission Goal: \$1,825,000.00

		Disbursed	Balance
1.	Support for Lutheran Orphanages - Haiti	\$0	\$70,000
2.	Lutheran Braille Workers Plate Embossing Device	\$0	\$100,000
3.	Lutheran Bible Translators (LBT) Spread God's Word Through Print and Audio	\$0	\$97,344
4.	Outreach to At-Risk Children - Detroit, Michigan	\$0	\$55,000
5.	Cancer Care Package Ministry	\$0	\$100,000
6.	Crow Indian Ministry - Montana	\$0	\$69,999.64
7.	Exodus 2:6 Project: Spiritual Care in Disasters - Texas, Louisiana, Oklahoma	\$0	\$50,000
8.	Children's Nutrition and Care - Vietnam	\$0	\$72,255
9.	Grace Place for LCMS International Missionaries	\$0	\$75,000
10.	Pregnancy Center: Newborn Protection - Malaysia, Southeast Asia	\$0	\$54,500
11.	The Lutheran Malaria Initiative - Kenya, East Africa	\$0	\$100,000
12.	Two Graduate Scholarships for International/Minority Students - Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Missouri	\$0	\$50,000
13.	Project JOEL - Outreach to Youth - Central/South America	\$0	\$75,000
14.	Children's Developmental Disabilities Group Home and Rehabilitation Center - Dominican Republic	\$0	\$100,000
15.	Missionary Family Care and Education	\$0	\$100,000
16.	Gospel Outreach Through Open Arms Child Care	\$0	\$65,000
17.	Haskell Indian Nations University Lutheran Campus Ministry Expansion - Lawrence, Kansas	\$0	\$100,000
18.	Financial Support for LCMS Prison and Jail Ministry Conference	\$0	\$27,500
19.	Physical and Spiritual Nourishment for the Impoverished - United States/Mexico Border (<i>partially funded</i>)	\$0	\$27,970.36

<http://www.lwml.org/missions/lutheran-women-in-mission-mission-grants.htm>

For the most current information, call 800-252-LWML (5965)



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General Information

Official Name:

Lutheran Women's Missionary League

Motto:

"Serve the Lord with Gladness" Psalm 100:2

Official Seal:

Selected in 1947



Official Logo:

Adopted in 1991



Status:

The official women's auxiliary of The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod completely comprised of volunteers.

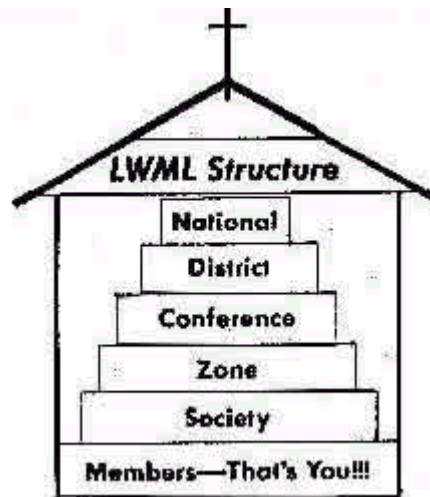
Publication:

Lutheran Women's Quarterly, first issued in 1943

Founding Convention:

Chicago, Illinois July 7-8, 1942

LWML Structure



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Bylaws
Of
The Lutheran Women's Missionary League
Of
Messiah Lutheran Church
Lakeville, MN

ARTICLE I – NAME

The name of this Society shall be The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) of Messiah Lutheran Church, Lakeville, Minnesota of the Southeast Suburban Zone of the Lyndale Conference of the Minnesota South District Lutheran Missionary League(MN SO LWML) of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod(LCMS).

ARTICLE II - OBJECT

The object of the LWML shall be to help equip all women of the congregation to fulfill their mission in the home, in the congregation, in the community and in the world. The purpose of this Society shall be to stimulate Christian fellowship, further Christian knowledge, work in the interest of Messiah Lutheran Church, and to work as affiliated members of the national Lutheran Women's Missionary League.

ARTICLE III – MEMBERS

All women of the congregation are privileged to participate in the Society endeavors. Voting membership shall be granted to all ladies who are communicant members of Messiah Lutheran Church and who have signed the bylaws of LWML. Continuing membership shall be established by a member attending two or more meetings a year, unless extenuating circumstances should prevent her from attending for a year.

ARTICLE IV – OFFICERS

Section A. The officers of this Society shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Christian Life Chairman, Human Care Chairman, and Circle Chairmen – each serving a maximum of two (2) consecutive terms in the same office.

Section B. The Executive Committee shall consist of the above officers.

Section C. The Board of Directors should include the Executive Committee and all Circle leaders.

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ARTICLE V – ELECTIONS

Section A. The slate of candidates for the Executive officers shall be presented at the April LWML meeting by the Nominating Committee. New officers shall be elected and installed at the May meeting. New officers shall assume their duties on July one.

Section B. The Vice President and Treasurer shall be elected each even-numbered year for a two (2) year term or until successor is elected. The President and Secretary shall be elected each odd-numbered year for a two (2) year term or until successor is elected. The Christian Life chairman (position may be shared by two (2) people) and Human Care chairman shall be elected annually. The election shall be by ballot if there is more than one (1) nominee for any position. If there is only one (1) nominee per position the chair may take a voice vote.

ARTICLE VI – MEETINGS

Meetings shall be held five (5) times a year or more at the discretion of the Executive Committee. Members in attendance shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE VII – OFFERINGS

There shall be no set membership dues. A freewill offering and mite boxes offering shall be received at each regular meeting.

ARTICLE VIII – EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Definition in Article IV. This committee shall:

- A. meet at the discretion of the President or at the request of two (2) or more Executive Committee members;
- B. meet on a regular basis, preferably monthly;
- C. be responsible that the meeting area is set up prior to the meeting time;
- D. be responsible for the publishing of the annual Society handbook;
- E. appoint three (3) nominating committee members;
- F. approve committee appointments;
- G. make recommendations to the Society;
- H. arrange for orderly transfer of records and information when there are changes in officers and committee chairmen.

ARTICLE IX – DUTIES OF OFFICERS AND DELEGATES

All officers, delegates, and committee chairmen are urged to attend zone workshops, rallies, local LWML meetings and functions, and to encourage others to attend.

A. President shall

- uphold all rules and resolutions;
- preside over all meetings of the Society and the Executive Committee;
- extend the invitation to women attending the meetings to become members and sign the bylaws;
- call special meetings;
- appoint standing committee chairmen and any other committees deemed necessary;
- fill vacancies in office with approval of the Executive Committee;
- be ex-officio member of all committees except the nominating committee;
- prepare the meeting agenda;
- make sure other officers have materials and information needed to perform their duties;
- perform whatever additional duties the organization may prescribe.

B. Vice President shall

- assist the president;
- act as President in the latter's absence or inability to serve;
- perform such additional duties as the group may prescribe.

C. Secretary shall

- keep minutes of Society meetings and of the Executive Committee meetings;
- keep records of the membership, committee rosters, and updates of the bylaws;
- conduct correspondence as requested and report on same at regular meetings;
- report changes of officers/addresses to the Zone Secretary and LWML Recording Secretary;
- provide the Membership Chairman with names/addresses of all new members of the LWML;
- provide the yearly program of the Society to the MN SO LWML Christian Life chairman;
- provide Mite boxes© and *Quarterlies* to all who wish to make use of them.

D. Treasurer shall

- receive all money of the organization;
- make all authorized disbursements;
- remit at least quarterly, preferably monthly, all Mite offerings as directed by the District to the MN SO LWML Financial Secretary;
- keep an itemized account of all transactions;
- prepare monthly financial reports for each Society meeting;
- be chairman of the Budget Committee to set up the next year's budget;
- send memorials to the MN SO LWML Financial Secretary;
- perform additional duties as prescribed by the Society.

E. Christian Life Chairman shall

- foster Christian Life through spiritual programming for each regular LWML meeting;
- use national LWML resource materials and any other appropriate Christian materials;
- plan and supervise all Christian Life programming for the LWML;
- serve as contact person with the Zone and MN SO LWML Christian Life Chairmen:

F. Human Care Chairman shall

- shall chair the Human Care Committee;
- serve as contact with the MN SO LWML Human Care Chairman;
- share ideas and information with Messiah LWML;
- keep the Executive Committee and LWML members informed of the work done by the national LWML and MN SO LWML in foreign and home missions.

F. LWML Delegates shall

- serve the Society by attending the semiannual delegate board meetings of the Southeast Suburban Zone;
- give delegate board meeting report at the following Society meeting;
- encourage women of the congregation and the Society membership to attend the rallies, workshops, and the District conventions;
- encourage the use of Mite boxes© and *Quarterlies* ;

- two (2) delegates and at least one (1) alternate shall be appointed by the Executive Committee from the Society membership;
- the Society shall cover the expenses of two (2) delegates to the District convention held each even-numbered year.

ARTICLE X - COMMITTEES

A. Human Care Committee shall

- be chaired by the Human Care Chairman;
- prepare and develop human care projects on an ongoing basis;
- be responsible for administering all mission work – local and foreign;
- study needs of various missions and prepare a list of projects for circle and LWML support;
- be responsible for seeing that adopted projects are carried out;
- promote Lutheran Relief, Bethesda, and the like.

B. Communication Chairman shall

- serve as liaison to all church boards as needed;
- provide annual Society programs and *Quarterlies* to the Membership Chairman for prospective members;
- supply information for the Sunday bulletin and the congregation's newsletter;
- use simple, but effective posters to publicize events;
- promote LWML Sunday;
- send news/pictures from this Society to the MN SO LWML editor and/or *Quarterly* editor;
- maintain contact with the MN SO LWML Communications Chairman.

C. Membership Chairman shall

- establish and maintain active membership list at least annually;
- make up packets for new LWML members;
- extend invitations to meetings and special events to perspective members;
- provide name tags for women attending all LWML functions.

D. Sunshine Committee shall

- send cards as needed to LWML members who are sick, shut in, and hospitalized;
- send sympathy cards to LWML members;

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- send birthday cards to LWML members;
- advise the church office of members in need;
- deliver a meditation to Messiah members at or near the birth of their first baby born as members;
- give remembrance to Messiah members at the baptism of their children.

E. Historian shall

- gather and preserve records and other materials of historical significance to the organization;
- write a summary following each odd-numbered year of resolutions, projects, and special events. Copies are to be given to each member of the current Executive Committee.

F. Nominating Committee shall

- consist of three (3) members appointed by the Executive Committee;
- submit a slate of nominees for each office to be filled;
- begin in January to approach ladies to fill the slate for presentation to the Society at the April meeting;
- secure consent of the nominees to serve, if elected.

G. Bylaws Committee shall

- with two (2) additional members, study and submit proposed amendments at regular meetings as needed by this Society.

H. Auditor shall

- audit/review Treasurer's books after each May meeting.

I. Serving Committee shall

- consist of two members;
- coordinate the calling of the church membership for food contributions and/or servers for funerals held at Messiah Lutheran Church when it has been requested by the family according to the current policy approved by the Society;
- coordinate refreshments at any time requested by the congregation with the LWML approval;
- with any funds realized be utilized at the discretion of the Society's voting membership.

J. Budget Committee shall

- be chaired by the Treasurer;
- consist of at least three (3) members;

- have the budget for the following year ready to submit to the membership at the May meeting.

K. Other

- additional committees may be formed as deemed necessary by the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE XI - PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The rules contained in the current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised* shall govern the proceedings of the Society in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not in conflict with these bylaws, Messiah Lutheran Church, or Christian charity and love.

ARTICLE XII – AMENDMENTS

These bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any regular meeting provided previous notice has been given.

ARTICLE XIII – DISBANDMENT

In the event this Society chooses to disband, a two-thirds vote shall be required of members present at any regular business meeting provided previous notice of such pending action has been given. All assets held by this Society shall be contributed to MN SO LWML.

STANDING RULES

- Each March the annual suggested fee per *Quarterly* shall be sent to the MN SO LWML Financial Secretary.
- Annually, the required equalization for national delegates and conference vice presidents shall be sent to the Zone Treasurer.
- Regular business meetings shall be held in September, November, February, April, and May.
- The LWML packets for new members shall contain current Messiah LWML bylaws, a copy of the LWML *Quarterly*, general information – LWML handout, a copy of the annual Society handbook, mite box, mite box explanation, and other items as deemed important by the Executive Committee.