



Lutheran Women's Missionary League North Dakota District

Equip
Encourage
Share Jesus

The Convention Messenger

"And He said to all, 'If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow Me'" (Luke 9:23).

The Convention Messenger • 2022 LWML North Dakota District Convention • Saturday, June 25, 2022

Welcome To Our 2022 LWML North Dakota District Convention!

It is a joy and blessing to gather with our sisters and brothers in Christ from around the state to study God's Word together and to do the work He has given us to do. We gather under our theme **"Cross-Eyed....Focused on Jesus"** as we focus on His Word and share His Word with others.

It has been a privilege to work with the convention committee and women of the Eastern Zone. A big thank you to them for all the work they have done to make the convention enjoyable for all. Thank you to President LaurieAnn and the Board of Directors for all their help and guidance.

May you be blessed by God's Word and Sacraments as we stay focused on Jesus and share with others all that God has done for us and continues to do for us.

Serving with gladness, *Sue Corwin*
Convention Manager

The Eastern Zone Convention Planning Committee is so thrilled to have you all here IN PERSON! We have been planning for three years to host y'all here. But our 2020 plans were not to be. Now, we are so excited to provide you with an opportunity to **Re-energize** your faith, **Renew** your friendships, and **Re-invigorate** your mission-mindedness. So please, enjoy and be **Re-FOCUSED on JESUS!**

*Ruth Walsh &
Louise Testmeier*, Co-Chairs

Offering #1 Received

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Convention News & Tidbits:

- ✚ Questions? Find a worker, wearing red vests.
- ✚ The Prayer Room is available for prayer requests, or quiet, contemplative time for yourself. Discover this quiet corner, located in a corner of the PR Room. Prayer requests will be addressed by the Pastors throughout the convention.
- ✚ Prayer Box: If you have a prayer request, please write it down and put it in the Prayer Box located in the back of the convention hall.
- ✚ Badges included in your registration packets are to be worn at all times during the convention. These badges are very important for admittance to meals and/or convention hall.
- ✚ Lost & Found: Look for any lost items at Registration.
- ✚ Convention Exhibit: Open between 7:00–8:00 a.m. on Saturday, during breaks and the lunch hour. Open Sunday from 8:00–8:30 a.m. Limited exhibitors on Sunday.
- ✚ LWML Store: The LWML Store is located in the back of the convention hall. Purchase additional convention charms and pins, along with shirts, Bible Study material, aprons and much more
- ✚ Our nurse, Dana Kitsch, is available for any health concerns during the convention.
- ✚ Convention reminder:
Turn cell phones OFF

District President's Thoughts ...

Welcome to the 40th Biennial Convention of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League North Dakota District!

**We are so glad you are here to be
"Cross-Eyed ... Focused on Jesus."**

There have been many hours of planning and prayer by our Convention Manager, Convention Chairpersons, the Eastern Zone, and your Board of Directors to joyfully prepare for your arrival. We will be focused on Jesus through God's Word and Sacraments. We will joyfully celebrate our salvation with song and prayer. When we leave for home, we will serve our neighbor by specifically holding out the atoning work of Jesus to those people you encounter in your vocations, relationships, and conversations.



Our goal is to empower you in being faithful to the atoning work of Jesus for the forgiveness of sins, peace, and joy. LWML North Dakota District Senior Pastoral Counselor Rev. David Suelzle will lead us in Bible Study "Vision Impaired" and "Vision 20/20".

LWML North Dakota District Junior Pastoral Counselor Rev. Chris Waldvogel has prepared daily room devotions for us that are included in your manual. "Joyfully Lutheran" and "Serving the LORD with Gladness"

LaurieAnn Totenhagen
LWML North Dakota District President



It's time to show off your ole' Convention gear — from any decade! Snap a picture of your friends wearing purple swag here at convention and email your photo for the Summer issue of *The Messenger*. Email your photos to Alissa Arndt at communication@ndlwml.org



Meal Menu



Meals: If you purchased a meal package, breakfast lunch & dinner will be served in the Symphony Hall

Saturday Breakfast: 7:00–8:00 a.m. Light breakfast of yogurt, granolas, baked bread, muffins, and fresh fruit

Saturday Lunch: 12 p.m. Build-your-own artesian sandwich buffet

Saturday Plated Dinner: 5:30 p.m.
Pan-seared chicken breast, salad, vegetables and dessert.



Thank You's and Appreciation

Thank you



to Wendysue Fluegge for being our Song Leader and Entertainment for the evening.

Announcing Our 2022 Fall Retreat



2022 LWML North Dakota District

FALL RETREAT

Friday, September 16 — Sunday, September 18, 2022
Shepherd's Hill At The Crossroads in St. John, ND

Shepherd's Hill Lodging: \$70 • Registration Cost \$70

"Consecrated"

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations" (Jeremiah 1:5).

Come! Hear! Study! and reflect on God's Word with our LWML sisters, as Pastor Chris Waldvogel leads us in our Bible Study on Jeremiah 1:5, "CONSECRATED." Our guest speakers from Dakota Boys and Girl Ranch and Amy Benham introduces us to horse therapy.

A Fall Retreat flyer is with your convention items. Fill it out and register!

