

from our President



As I write this, we have recently celebrated Pentecost Sunday. Do you remember how the apostles were filled with the Holy Spirit and were enabled to share the message of Jesus' love and salvation to the crowd that surrounded them? As a result of their testimony that day, 3,000 people were brought into a living relationship with their Savior and with one another.

As Lutheran Women in Mission, we, too, can share the message of our Lord's great love to those around the world. By filling our Mite Boxes, we can fund outreach programs, both within the Chesapeake District and around the world. How blessed we are to have this opportunity!

Great News, the 29th LWML Chesapeake District will be at a physical location and it's going to be in a new format (2-day convention).

The dates are September 23-24, 2022 at the Double Tree Hotel in Gaithersburg, MD. It will be awesome, to see everyone in person.

This edition of the *Chesapeake Breeze* is full of details about our 2022

District Convention and the women of the DCMARVA and Potomac Zones are excited and ready to host all of us for this convention, organized under the theme "...and You Are My Witnesses." We are blessed to have a wonderful program, including mission speakers from Bethania Kids, Faith and Works Enterprises, and Orphan Grain Train-Maryland Division. LWML Recording Secretary, Brenda Piester, will share news from the national organization and plans for the 2023 convention in Milwaukee. Our song leaders will be Erin and Jake Pomrenke, this will be their first convention, so please make them feel welcome and introduce yourselves to them. Yes of course, we will have our Humorist Interrupter, Martha McGlynn, who will provide us with plenty of laughs.

MARK YOUR
CALENDAR!

Since the electronic voting worked so well in 2020, we decided to continue with it. There will be a Zoom delegate orientation meeting on September 10. Each group may send two delegates as part of their Zone Delegation to this meeting, but keep in mind, the same delegates must attend the convention September 23-24. The delegates will be casting votes for officers & mission grants for the 2022-2024 biennium. More information will be sent to the Zone Chairs. The convention is a wonderful opportunity to share the excitement of LWML with other women! Each zone may send **AT LEAST** one Young Women's Representative to this convention. I also encourage you to seek out the ethnic congregations in your areas and see if there is support you can provide to help some of the women in these churches join us in convention.

Your Mites are still needed. The deadline for Mite contributions is June 30. Groups are encouraged to seek means of continuing to gather and submit Mites monthly. Not all members utilize the Mite Box. For those who prefer giving a lump sum dollar amount at a meeting, please continue the habit. Grab a mug, place it in an obvious spot and fill it with those lump sum funds! Mailing your offerings to your church? Mail a check to your group treasurer at the

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photos by August 1 to
Linda Roscoe,
Publications Editor

same time. Unconventional times call for unconventional actions. Who knows – the unconventional may bring good changes! The Financial Secretary will now accept checks (no cash please) from individual group members. Make your check payable to LWML Chesapeake District. These can be mailed directly to her at the address below. Please include a note with your church and city, group name, your phone number and email address (if applicable). The offering will be credited to your society just as if it had flowed through the society's treasury. The contact information is necessary should there be a question regarding your offering. This method will cease once the so call "normal" returns. Financial Secretary information: Yvonne Brown, Financial Secretary, LWML Chesapeake District, 9111 Alcona Street, Lanham, MD 20706



Have you been on the LWML Chesapeake District Website? There is the option of "Giving to the LWML" <https://www.lwmlchesapeake.org/giving-to-lwml.html> which allows for giving to the district mission grants online. Through this method, you can authorize a contribution using your bank account or credit card either one-time, or as a regular monthly, quarterly or yearly gift (secured through the LCEF Joyful Response program.) These contributions may also be included in your group's biennium Mite offering totals if you provide that information.

Your LWML sister, *Teresa Tester*
District President, LWML Chesapeake District

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. (Philippians 4:13)

But the Lord stood by me and strengthened me, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. (2 Timothy 4:17)



Bulletin Blurbs for 2022 Convention

Put in your church bulletin to publicize our convention

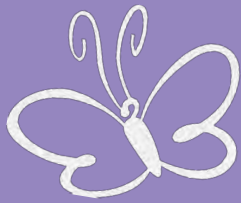
"... and You are My Witnesses" is the theme for the 2022 Chesapeake District Convention to be held in Gaithersburg, MD, September 23-24 at the Doubletree by Hilton, 620 Perry Pkwy, Gaithersburg. Registration will be available by July 1 and the form will available at www.lwmlchesapeake.org or in the June edition of the *Chesapeake Breeze* newsletter. You will also be receiving email blasts . Please plan

to attend the convention for two days of fellowship, Bible study, inspiring speakers and uplifting music.

"... and You are My Witnesses" will be the gathering theme for those attending the LWML Chesapeake District Convention, September 23-24 in Gaithersburg, MD. Registration includes all sessions, entertainment and Friday night dinner and lunch on Saturday. This will be a great two days to spend with your Sisters in Christ at the Doubletree by Hilton.

All are invited to the opening worship service with Holy Communion on Friday, September 23 at 7:30 pm at the 2022 LWML Chesapeake District Convention in Gaithersburg, MD. You do not have to be registered for the convention to attend worship. The location for the convention is the Doubletree by Hilton at 620 Perry Pkwy, Gaithersburg, MD. The 2022 convention theme is "... and You are My Witnesses"

"... and You are My Witnesses" is the theme for LWML Chesapeake District Convention 2022. This year's convention will be shorter, two days instead of an entire weekend (only one night hotel stay) beginning Friday, September 23, with registration opening at 1:30 pm and adjournment on Saturday, September 24 at 4:00 pm. The location for the convention is the Doubletree by Hilton, 620 Perry Pkwy, Gaithersburg, MD. Registration form is available via email blast, *Chesapeake Breeze* newsletter and online at www.lwmlchesapeake.org.

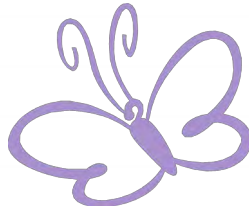


Gifts from the Heart for the 2022 District Convention

“...and you are My Witnesses declares the Lord God”

Gift Cards for Seminarians

Gift cards in the amount of \$10 from Target or Walmart will be collected for our two Lutheran seminaries in St. Louis and Ft. Wayne. Purchase as many of the \$10 gift cards as you like. The gift cards with a personal note are very much appreciated by the students.



Eyeglasses for MOST Ministries

Needed: Adult-sized glasses, child-size glasses, non-prescription sunglasses, and over-the-counter reading glasses will be collected. They do not accept eye glass cases. These glasses will be used by short term mission teams in 52 countries.

Orphan Grain Train

Brand New Flip Flops in all sizes are always needed.



Changing Hearts



One at a Time Ministry

(Igniting the Community for Christ)

Mission/Goal: CHOT is committed to reaching and assisting children (ages 1 thru 12) in DC and concentrating on those in Ward 7. Showing children why the Bible is relevant to their future and faith. Providing children with needed items so they can see God is with them and He will supply their needs.



Needed for children 3-10 yrs: Socks, Hats, Gloves, Underwear



Faith & Work Enterprises, Inc.



Travel-sized toiletries: body wash, soap, shampoo, conditioner, body Lotion, toothbrush, toothpaste, men's deodorant, washcloth or shower scrunchy



It is Never Too Early To Register!

Make plans to attend the 2022 Chesapeake District LWML Convention at the DoubleTree in Gaithersburg, MD on September 23-24. Don't miss your chance to hear from Mission Speakers that have received our Mites, do a Bible Study, attend a communion service, meet the newly elected Board members, learn about the new Mite projects for the next biennium and much more. There will be lots of fun and fellowship as we gather with our LWML sisters. This year, for the first time, we have shortened the Convention. The LWML District Convention will start on Friday afternoon at 3 pm and end on Saturday at 4 pm. (Registration at the DoubleTree will open at 1:30 p.m. on Friday.) Mark your calendar now!!

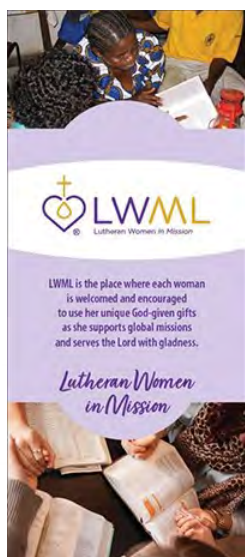
Schedule of LWML Convention Events

Friday, September 23

- 1:30 pm** Registration Opens
- 3:00 pm** Convention Begins | Convention Business, Music, Bible Study, Mission Speaker
- 5:00 pm** Adjournment for day
- 6:00 pm** Dinner
- 7:30 pm** Communion Service
- 9:00 pm** President's Reception

Saturday, September 24

- 7:30 am** Pledge Walk
- 8:30 am** Convention Convenes:
 - LWML National Report, Nominating and Mission Grant Reports, Bible Study, Mission Speaker, Gifts from the Heart
- Noon** Lunch
- 1:30 pm** Convention Reconvenes:
 - Mission Speaker, Young Woman Reps, Heart 2 Heart Sisters, Mite Offering, Invite to Milwaukee Convention, Installation of Officers
- 4:00 pm** Closing Song and Adjournment



LWML Mission Statement

As Lutheran Women in Mission, we joyfully proclaim Christ, support missions, and equip women to honor God by serving others.

Assisting the women of the LWML to put the new Mission Statement into practice, the committee also provided five LWML Core Values:

- **Christian Women** — We live as redeemed children of the Triune God.
- **In God's Word** — We live in joyful response to the Holy Scriptures.
- **Mission-Focused** — We answer God's call to share His Gospel at home and abroad.
- **Embrace Diversity** — We are sisters in Christ who value and benefit from each other.
- **Servant Leaders** — We are called and equipped by God to serve others.

Mission Pledge Walk

Everyone tells you that walking is good for you. What about walking and raising money for Mites? You will have the opportunity to do exactly that at the Chesapeake District Convention on Sept. 23 & 24. Walk with your LWML sisters on Saturday morning at 7:30 am. The Mission Walk will give those attending and our sisters and brothers back at home a chance to raise money for Mites by pledging support for the “Mite Walker.” Use the form below to list pledges/donations. All monies collected will go to Mites. Checks should be made payable to Chesapeake District LWML with “Mission Walk” in the memo.



So pack your walking shoes and enjoy a walk with your LWML sisters.

Donations to the Mission Walk for Mites

Your Name _____ Congregation _____

Name	Amount Pledged	Name	Amount Pledged
1. _____		5. _____	
2. _____		6. _____	
3. _____		7. _____	
4. _____		8. _____	

Celebrating 80 Years



**WHAT'S
YOUR 80?**

1942–2022 — 80 Years of God's Grace

The 80th Anniversary of LWML will be celebrated by the districts. Each member, group, zone or district is encouraged to reflect God's love by blessing others with 80 of something, remembering events from the last 80 years, or sharing legacy concepts for carrying forth the LWML mission. Be sure and take a picture of your group's "80" and send them to Linda Roscoe, Deb Poese and Margaret Martens — their contact information is at the back of this Breeze. We are planning a montage of your activities at the 2022 LWML District Convention in September.



Chesapeake District LWML Convention 2022

Friday, September 23- Saturday, September 24

DoubleTree by Hilton Washington DC/Gaithersburg

620 Perry Parkway, Gaithersburg, MD 20877

Reservations can be made by website or phone

Website: www.my-event.hilton.com/gaigwdt-cdl-27ebb975-739f-4da3-98d5-b0646fd90c11/

Call: Elba Guzman, Reservations Manager at 301. 591. 9908, request LWML block

LWML Room Rate: \$109 + tax per room for 1-4 people; **Deadline for hotel registration is August 31**

CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM

Please print in black ink.

Badge Name (first, last) _____ Mailing Address _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP _____ Phone _____ Email Address _____ Church/Group _____ Zone _____ First Time Attendee? _____ 50 Years Plus LWML'er _____	Check One <input type="checkbox"/> General Registration <input type="checkbox"/> Group (Church) Delegate <input type="checkbox"/> Zone Young Woman Rep <input type="checkbox"/> Teen <input type="checkbox"/> Executive Committee <input type="checkbox"/> Zone Chair <input type="checkbox"/> Past District President <input type="checkbox"/> Host Committee <input type="checkbox"/> Clergy <input type="checkbox"/> Deaconess <input type="checkbox"/> Exhibitor
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Registration Fees:

Early Registration (postmarked by August 25, 2022) \$225 \$ _____

Regular Registration (after August 25, 2022) \$235 \$ _____

Teen, YWR or Deaconess Registration \$70 \$ _____

(Each of the above includes registration, Friday evening dinner and reception, Saturday lunch and entertainment)

Friday dinner and reception for unregistered guests \$65 \$ _____

Exhibitor table fee \$25 \$ _____

Total \$ _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Delegates and YWRs: Send registration materials to your Zone Chair.

All others: Send registration materials to Linda Nau, 1810 Ethelred Court, Midlothian, VA 23113

Checks should be made payable to Chesapeake District LWML and sent with registration form. Duplicate this form for yourself. Registrations can be made on the LWML website. www.lwmlchesapeake.org under Events.

Special Needs: <input type="checkbox"/> Interpreter Needed <input type="checkbox"/> Wheelchair Accessibility <input type="checkbox"/> Dietary Restrictions <input type="checkbox"/> Vegan <input type="checkbox"/> Gluten free	<input type="checkbox"/> I would like to participate in the Mission Mite Walk. I would like to Volunteer <input type="checkbox"/> Usher <input type="checkbox"/> Hostess <input type="checkbox"/> Greeter <input type="checkbox"/> Anywhere Needed
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from our Special Gifts Endowment Fund Chair

Linda Nau

Update – June 2022

The Chesapeake District LWML maintains a Special Gifts Endowment Fund for the purpose of receiving unrestricted gifts from individuals, groups or other sources. Special Gifts also funds small grants (up to \$300) for the mission and ministry of the Chesapeake District LWML, whether it be for small mission projects, special expenses or other programs.



Our most recent grant of \$200 was requested by the Lutheran Church of St. Andrew (Silver Spring, MD) to purchase books telling the stories of missionaries to the United States. These books will be donated to St. Paul's Lutheran School and Our Savior Lutheran School. The purpose is to expose young people to these stories so they can see how God has worked in the lives of ordinary men and women, who have become missionaries to the people of this country. This can inspire them to recognize that God is calling them to serve as proclaimers of the Good News of Jesus in their own communities. They are our modern-day missionaries.

Special Gifts is also a wonderful way to remember or honor someone and also support Chesapeake District LWML through your donations. Cards are sent to donors, the honorees, and the families of those memorialized to acknowledge the gifts. A Memory Book is kept, reflecting each donation received, and is displayed at our District Conventions. As of May 31, 2022, the Special Gifts Endowment Fund has a balance \$6,829.18 plus \$15,000 in a certificate of deposit.

For more information on and forms for donating a gift or requesting a grant, please go to our website, lwmlchesapeakedistrict.org. Choose the **Giving to LWML or Mission Grant** tab to reach the Special Gifts Endowment Fund section. If you have any questions, you may also contact Linda Nau, Chairman, at naule@aol.com or 804-514-0095.



Dear Women of the Chesapeake
District LWML,

A package was delivered today that
included over \$1,000 in gift cards.
Wow!!! Your generosity is humbling.

I work directly with the students' wives as the women's coordinator and my husband serves as the director of student life in addition to his teaching responsibilities. We will get these gifts to the students and their families. Thank you for your support of seminarians at Concordia!!

With greetings of Peace and Joy in Christ,
Katie Nofzger w/ Peter Nofzger
Concordia Seminary – St. Louis

P.S. The hand-written notes and cards are an excellent addition. I will make sure the students get those and know that the women of the LWML are behind them. We are appreciating more familiarity with the LWML now that the office is on campus. Thanks for all you do in service to the Lord of the church.



LWML National Convention
June 22–25, 2023
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Chesapeake District LWML Mission Grants 2020-2022

Mission Goal: \$100,000

1. Immanuel Lutheran Church, Charlottesville, VA - Provide Bibles, Concordances, devotionals, and Bible study materials for their jail and prison ministries.	\$5,000	PAID IN FULL
2. Southeastern District, LCMS, Alexandria, VA - Provide student aid for pastors and/or church workers as they prepare to journey with the Lord.	\$5,000	PAID IN FULL
3. Orphan Grain Train, Mid-Atlantic, Smyrna, DE - Purchase supplemental food items and pay for shipping to a country in need of food, clothing and medical supplies.	\$5,000	PAID IN FULL
4. Grace Place, Calvary Lutheran Church, Baltimore, MD - Create a computer lab as part of the newly forming Career Planning & Mentoring Center.	\$5,000	PAID IN FULL
5. Our Savior Lutheran Church & Open Arms Christian Child Development Center, Laurel, MD - Purchase cases of children's Bibles, English/Spanish outreach Bibles and Small Catechisms, providing devotional supplies for outreach in the Laurel community.	\$3,500	PAID IN FULL
6. Faith and Works Enterprises, Baltimore, MD - Continue community stabilization efforts toward establishing a mission to serve the Sandtown-Winchester community.	\$5,000	PAID IN FULL
7. Our Savior's Way Lutheran Church, Ashburn, VA - Send five ethnic leaders for training to and reach out to Muslim neighbors in the DC Metro area.	\$5,000	PAID IN FULL
8. Center for Hispanic Studies (CHS); Ethnic Immigrant Institution of Theology (EIIT), Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, MO - Provide support for ethnic student/church worker to meet educational costs.	\$3,500	PAID IN FULL
9. The ESL Program at Lutheran Church of our Savior, Rehoboth Beach, DE	\$5,000	PAID IN FULL
10. Lutheran Bible Translators, Concordia, MO - Funds to support ongoing work in Nigeria for the Mbe translation of the Bible.	\$4,000	PAID IN FULL

Total of \$45,000

All Grants Funded!



Your mites are hard at work. By the printing of this newsletter, we will have paid the final grants for the 2020-2022 Biennium! Praise God!

The 8th grant for was paid in May to Concordia Seminary St. Louis' Center for Hispanic Studies (CHS) and Ethnic Immigrant Institute of Theology (EIIT) ministerial formation program for a project called

"Making Jesus Known to U.S. Ethnic Communities." The theological education provided by CHS and EIIT enables dedicated immigrant/ethnic students to bring many people closer to Christ. These ethnic students and church workers live with considerably strained financial circumstances and do not have nearly the resources to fund their education costs. This grant will help to fund these students' education costs.

The 9th grant is for the Lutheran Church of Our Savior, Rehoboth Beach for \$5,000. They will share the love of Jesus with their community by hosting an English as a Second Language Program (ESL). The program supports and average of 150 students annually and provides child

care services for the students for an average of 42 children with the help of 39 volunteers, a paid director and a paid childcare coordinator. The grant will help to replace outdated text books for the program.

Lutheran Bible Translators, our 10th and final grant for this biennium, is supported by Redeemer Lutheran Church LWML of Richmond, VA. This \$3000 will support translation of the Bible into Mbe, for the people of Ogoja area of Nigeria. The Mbe people are a farming community; they are industrious and hard-working. In 2012, translation work began on the Gospel of Luke. The people of MBE were not satisfied with only having the Gospel of Luke. They want more of God's Work in their language, so they can know God better. Bible translators will use this grant to further the translation of God's Word into Mbe.

Praise God for the work He does through the funding of these grants! Praise God for guiding the work of our LWML Mites!



Gifts of Love

Two years ago, Marie's husband was called home to Jesus. Bud had always taken care of the financial matters: paying bills, investing, and planning for the future. They had been married for seventy years. Now, Marie was feeling overwhelmed. The financial planner kept calling, asking her permission to change investment strategies. The life insurance company regularly had calling teams contacting her, asking if she wanted to add to her coverage. The local bank kept sending mail asking her if she wanted to refinance the mortgage. The senior living representative she and Bud had met four years ago kept asking if she was ready to move into assisted living. The burden of these decisions was overwhelming. So, when her daughter asked her if she had reviewed her will lately, Marie became angry. "I just need everyone to leave me alone. Stop bugging me."

It is wise to do good planning while both spouses are alive. It is even better to make sure that those plans are written down, detailing an organized, planned approach to caring for the financial gifts God has placed in your care. It is unwise to expect that children or other relatives will be able to jump in, without any prior involvement, to make the same kind of choices you have chosen all your life. They will lovingly do their part, but you may be asking them to carry out a difficult or impossible task. Planning can bring peace of mind. When a good plan is in place, seeking interaction with professional legal, financial or tax advisors can be seen as continuing that plan. Asking children to help will also be part of that continuance. Now is a good day to start. Your LWML Gift Planning Counselor can highlight areas of decision and point you to the right professionals to help you write down a plan, all the while expressing your love for your family and your devotion to the Lord. Contact Linda Gage (Linda.Gage@lfnd.org or 800-741-4138).

The vision of the LWML Gifts of Love ministry is to help LWML women understand the benefits of remembering the Lord's work through a well planned, prayerfully considered lifetime charitable gift/estate plan.



DelMarVa Zone Rally on April 23 with speaker Gigi Mueller, assembled 80 appreciation bags for First responders Pr. Mike Thress leading devotion