



Lutheran  
Women  
in Mission  
MICHIGAN DISTRICT

# LWML IN MICHIGAN

SERVE THE LORD WITH GLADNESS!  
COME INTO HIS PRESENCE WITH SINGING!  
PSALM 100:2

## Happy New Year!

### News from the Christian Outreach Committee

Along with all the other free resources under THE WORD link on the [lwml.org](http://lwml.org) website, there is a Bible study called "I am the Heart of LWML." Just click on the word SERVICE and go to the bottom of the drop-down menu to find it. This one-session study could be used at any gathering of women: Bible classes, zone meetings, or even as an individual. It shows how LWML is Christ-centered and mission-focused. There are PowerPoint slides and even flyers to use with it.

### Franconian Zone Fall Rally

St Michael's in Richville hosted the Franconian Zone Fall Rally. Our speaker was Sharmin Heganauer from Impact Designs, they are part of Rescue Ministries of Mid-Michigan. We collected cleaning and laundry supplies for the ingathering.



### Mission Spotlight

**#2 The love of Christ for Pity's sake- Orphan Grain Train Michigan \$18,000**

Orphan grain train in Sebewaing, Michigan, brings the name of our loving Savior, Jesus Christ, to those in need by distributing clothing, quilts, medical supplies, hygiene products, and food. They have sent shipments all over the world. Countries such as Panama, Lithuania, and Ukraine receive supplies, as well as the United States. Most recently, they shipped to places devastated by Hurricane Helene. Funding for OGT is essential in assisting with shipping costs. The average shipping price is \$9,000. With this Mission Grant, OGT can continue to ship supplies and spread the gospel to those in need overseas and domestically.

# Land of Lakes Zone Fall Rally



Land of Lakes Zone met on October 26, 2024, at Trinity, Gaylord, for our Fall Rally under the theme “Jesus Loves the Little Children.” Rev. Kurt Klingbeil from Trinity led the devotion. The guest speaker was Darla Edwards from Wellspring Lutheran Services, who was discussing their foster care

program. The ingathering was various outdoor and indoor toys for their center. Forty-three people from seven churches attended the rally. Patty Atkinson was re-elected as VP, and Kathy Erat was re-elected as Treasurer.



### LWML Michigan District 2024-2026

For God, who said, “Let light shine out of darkness,” has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

2 Corinthians 4:6



## Rapid Waters Zone Fall Rally

Recently, the Rapid Waters Zone hosted our Fall Rally, bringing women of the Zone together to "Serve the Lord with Gladness." Ladies could participate in two servant events during the Rally: card making and quilt cutting and tying. Both groups had many smiles as they learned new skills, worked together, got creative, and served the Lord. We will send the quilts to Lutheran World Relief, and the cards will stay within our Zone to go to shut-ins, those in need of encouragement, and Zone pastors for Pastor Appreciation Month.

Thank you,  
 Jessica Rader  
 Rapid Waters Zone  
 Secretary and Communications



## Lakeshore Zone Fall Retreat

10-12-2024

President Ann Campbell welcomed all the attendees. Amy Kelly led us in the Pledge.

Our worship service with communion message was based on the Prodigal Son, Luke 15:11-32. The message is about God's Grace and love. God does not keep score, for he has given us the game for free. No fear, He loves you no matter what; believe it.

Rev. John Smith led us in Luther's life of Prayer.

We then put together 131 Health Kits for Lutheran World Relief. These will be delivered to Grand Rapids next week.

Ann Campbell opened the business meeting with a prayer.

The secretary read the minutes from the previous meeting, which were approved as read. Roll Call showed 44 attendees.

Treasurer's report: Balance on hand is \$6403.64, subject to audit.

President's Report: The Bible verse for the 2026 District Convention is 2 Cor. 4:6. She thanked all for the support given her these past four years.

The Spring Rally will be held at St.Luke's, Nunica, on April 26th.

The nominating committee submitted the names of people running for office. President: Nancy Fody and Barb Drape; Christian Growth: Elizabeth Thies and Megan Cheyne; Treasurer: Becki Esselman. A motion was made to accept the nominees. It was supported. The motion passed.

Rev. Johnson installed the new board members.

A gift was given to Helen Travis for all her work in Christian Growth.

Rev. Johnson closed with Prayer.

Rosalie Anderson, Secretary

**Mark Your Calendar!**

**Growing IN GOD'S grace**  
2 PETER 3:18

**National Convention**  
June 26-29, 2025  
Omaha, Nebraska

**District Convention**  
June 26-28, 2026  
East Lansing, Michigan

**Hellogg Hotel & Conference Center**  
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

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