

Litany for Mites
To Be Used Alongside Resources For:
LWML Sunday 2020
“Kingdom People Produce Kingdom Fruit”

Jesus said that *the kingdom of God will be...given to a people producing its fruits* (Matthew 21:43). Such words were both a warning to the religious leaders of the day and a promise for His Church. Failure to produce the fruits of faith would lead to the kingdom being taken away. Those who dwell in the kingdom of God by faith *will* produce fruits.

As Lutheran Women in Mission, it is such a blessing and a comfort to know that we have not only been called as members of the kingdom of God but by God’s grace, we shall also produce fruits in His kingdom. Saint Paul reminds us of what these fruits look like in the Christian life. *But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control* (Galatians 5:22—23a).

In Christian love, we put our mites to work supporting missionaries and mercy ministries all around the world. We watch in joy as the Lord’s faithfulness provides for each mission grant to be fulfilled. We give thanks for the many ways in which God’s goodness is made known to the world as more people hear the Gospel and are welcomed into the kingdom, producing its fruits.

Leader: Let us pray: Heavenly Father, thank You for making us part of Your kingdom, uniting us to Your Church, and granting us Your Spirit so that we may produce its fruits.

Group: *To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood ⁶ and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.* (Revelation 1:5b—6).

Leader: Lord Jesus, teach us Your ways, and guide us in all that we say and do.

Group: *Help us to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him: bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God* (Colossians 1:10).

Leader: Holy Spirit, grant to us an attitude of generosity knowing that the mites we give are given for Your glory, so that more people may be brought into Your kingdom.

Group: *Assist us always to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share* (1 Timothy 6:18).

All: *Almighty God, in Your Son, You have saved us and made us partakers of Your eternal kingdom. We thank You for the opportunities You provide to support the work of Your kingdom in the world. Guide us each day to be Kingdom People who Produce Kingdom Fruit, until we dwell with You eternally; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.*