Pray for our Nation and World

Gracious and merciful heavenly Father, heaven and earth are in Your hands, and You continue to uphold and sustain all of life, as You have promised. In Your Son, You have assured us that You are with us always, bringing light into our darkest times and granting to us Your divine peace.

We pray for our nation in these times where disaster, suffering, and struggle have befallen Your people in many areas of our country and world. We pray for those impacted by Hurricanes Fiona and Ian. Where there has been injury and loss of life, provide Your healing and Your comfort in accord with Your will. Be with those who have lost their possessions and homes and restore them in Your good time. Give strength to all who will serve in bringing relief and mercy to those in need, and provide them the resources needed, as well as the words of comfort to offer, directing all to the hope we have in Christ. Fulfill Your promise that You will give to all their daily bread, supplying our needs in the ways that are best for us. We pray also for all who are impacted by wildfires in various parts of our country. Protect all who serve as firefighters and emergency management personnel, and keep Your people safe from devastation and destruction.

As nations rage and plot against one another, we ask for You to bring peace to all places where hostility is heightened. In particular, we ask You to continue to be with the people of Ukraine as war rages among them. Calm, also, the tensions in Asia as threats of violence seem to escalate more and more each day. May Your people be bold in their witness in the midst of conflict to the peace which You provide in Your Son, Jesus Christ. Be with the leaders of all nations that terms of peace and accords of understanding may be reached so that all citizens may dwell in those things which You have given for our good.

Finally, Lord, we pray for seasonable weather, that harvest and crops and cattle may be brought forth to feed Your people. We thank You for those who labor on our behalf to provide us with the fruits of Your creation. And as our economy continues to be uncertain, give to all who cry to You whatsoever they need to support them in this body and life, even as You have given all that is needful for our life in Your kingdom eternally, through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.
LWML Presenting at LCMS Making Disciples for Life Conference

Today many people are influenced by many wayward worldviews. The next Making Disciples for Life (MDFL) conference, set for Oct. 10–12, 2022, in St. Louis and online, will focus on providing resources that equip Lutherans to faithfully respond to the challenges and opportunities of proclaiming God’s Word to people who have been misled by these worldviews of our culture.

Lutheran Women’s Missionary League (LWML) will participate with three sessions at this conference. You can still register and participate fully online. This will be an excellent investment of your time. The theme for this MDFL gathering is “Let Us Keep Awake,” based on 1 Thessalonians 5:6. Presentations will focus on three main subject areas: awake as witnesses, awake for our slumbering neighbors, and confessing Christ in a world asleep.

Schedule of presentations by LWML:

- **October 10, 3:30 p.m.** — “Focusing on ‘Whatever’ Paul Says” – LWML Senior Pastoral Counselor Rev. Brian Noack and Meeting Manager Arlene Naasz

- **October 11, 3 p.m.** — “A Life-Long Mission Trip” – Bible Study – LWML Recording Secretary Brenda Piester

- **October 11, 4 p.m.** — Let’s Talk About Jesus – LWML President Debbie Larson

Online registration: Online participation is unlimited and open to anyone. An online registration, which is $29, can be used by an individual, couple, family or group. Registration provides access to view recorded sessions for 60 days after the conference ends. Participants attending virtually can register until October 10. Click here to register.
Lutheran Education Association Convocation Meets in Milwaukee

The Lutheran Education Association (LEA) anticipates over 2500 teachers and administrators will attend the Triennial LEA Convocation at Wisconsin Center in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. This is the largest assembly for educators from Lutheran schools in the United States. The convocation will be held October 6-8, 2022, in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

No convention would be complete without exhibits! The LWML will be exhibiting along with more than 100 exhibitors. There will be resources such as Bible studies and devotions that attendees can use at home or in their classrooms, information about the LWML, and about mission grants. A highlight at the LWML booth will be the twice-daily drawings for gifts from the store. If you are attending the gathering, please stop by the LWML exhibit and greet Public Relations Director Susan Donnelly and LWML Vice President of Organizational Resources (2011–2015) Carolyn Blum. Come learn about Lutheran Women in Mission!

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