

LITANY FOR MITES

2023 Lutheran Women in Mission Sunday



“The King is Coming for you and for me.”

“I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship” (Romans 12:1). LWML Sunday calls us again to believe and witness that all we have is given to us by the mercies of God through the work of Jesus Christ. “In fervent gratitude for the Savior’s dying love and His blood-bought gift of redemption we dedicate ourselves to Him with all that we are and have.” (LWML Pledge)

As redeemed children of God, Lutheran Women in Mission give thanks to God that we are HIS. We are held by God’s Word. We are inspired to share His Gospel. We are surrounded by His grace. As our Lord commended the widow who gave from her heart all she had, we pray the Spirit of our God and Savior to magnify our mite offerings for the growth of His kingdom throughout the world. (See Mark 12:41–44.)

Leader: King David wrote: Psalm 24:7–10:

Leader: *Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.*

Group: *Who is this King of glory? The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!*

Leader: *Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.*

Group: *Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory!*

Leader: The King of glory comes because, *“For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life (John 3:16 NIV).*

Group: *For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through Him (John 3:17 NIV).*

Leader: The King of glory comes because of the Gospel, *it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek* (Romans 1:16).

Group: ***For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, “The righteous shall live by faith”*** (Romans 1:17).

Leader: The King of glory comes, because *all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God* (Romans 3:23).

Group: ***And are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus,*** (Romans 3:24)

Leader: The King of glory comes to encourage the church's proclamation to “Pray for All People.”

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way (1 Timothy 2:1–2).

Group: ***This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth***
(1 Timothy 2:3–4).

Leader: What does all this mean?

Group: ***“We consecrate to our Savior our hands to work for Him, our feet to go on His errands, our voice to sing His praises, our lips to proclaim His redeeming love, our silver and our gold to extend His kingdom, our will to do His will, and every power of our life to the great task of bringing the lost and the erring into eternal fellowship with Him”*** (LWML Pledge).

Group: ***To the coming King be the glory, power, and majesty, forever and ever. Amen.***

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