

The Northern Texas/Northern Louisiana (NT-NL) Synodical Women's Organization (SWO)

July 29, 2024

### Churchwide News:



Linda Post Bushkofsky, WELCA Executive director, retired June 30th. To honor Linda's 22 years of service to Women of the ELCA, you are invited to make a gift to 2122: Growing Katie's Fund for the next 100 years, the campaign to raise \$1 million for this endowment. Katie's Fund supports ministries focused on global sharing, leadership development, and faith in daily life at

<https://www.womenoftheelca.org/katiesfund>

Thanks to those who have made contributions to the churchwide WELCA as of April 30th:

- St. John Lutheran Church in Bartlett, TX
- Resurrection Lutheran Church in Plano, TX

Our #1 Goal is to improve communication with several methods:

- Join our FaceBook NT-NL SWO Group at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/748717508538531> where this page features local events within our NT-NL Synodical Women's Organization.
- Join our FaceBook NT-NL SWO Page at <https://www.facebook.com/ntnlsw> where this page features Synodical Women's Groups from around the ELCA
- Check out our website at <https://ntnlutheranwomen.com/>
- Your conference liaison will be reaching out churches to update the churchwide WELCA contacts from 2021



Jennifer Hockenbery, Ph.D., a college dean, philosophy professor, and editor of the *Journal of Lutheran Ethics*, will serve as interim churchwide executive director of Women of the ELCA, beginning July 1<sup>st</sup> for one year. For more information, see

<https://www.womenoftheelca.org/blog/news/hockenbery-to-serve-as-interim-executive-director-of-women-of-the-elca>

## Eastern Conference Retreat

Date: August 3

Time: 10am-4pm

Place: First Lutheran Church  
3901 Bill Owens Pkwy  
Longview, TX 75605

Speaker: Rev. Kathryn Saunders-Allen

Includes: Bible study and free lunch

RSVP: [churchsecretary@firstlutheran.us](mailto:churchsecretary@firstlutheran.us)



## HOT Conference hosts the NT-NL Spiritual Feast Retreat

Date: Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>

Time: 10am-3pm

Place: First Lutheran Church  
St. Lydia's Episcopal Student Ctr.  
1712 S 10th St. Waco

Includes: Free lunch

RSVP: Rev. Austin Nickel

[oneluth@hotmail.com](mailto:oneluth@hotmail.com)

## NT-NL Synodical Womens Organization (SWO) Fall Retreat

Date/time: October 11 from 3:30-8:15pm

Date/time: October 12 from 8:30am-3:15pm

Place: King of Glory Lutheran  
6411 Lyndon B Johnson Fwy  
Dallas, TX 75240

Speakers:

- Catherine Walker, author, *Boosting Your Joy*
- Rev. Rachel Ringlaben
- Rev. Mallory Morris

Cost: \$70 for 2 days **by Sept. 15**

\$75 for 2 days by Sept. 30

\$80 for 2 days at the door

\$60 for Saturday only

Includes: Friday dinner, Saturday lunch,  
SERRV (fair trade products) and  
drawing for Triennial registration

RSVP: Registration is open at

<https://ntnlutheranwomen.com/>

Email [lheyde51@aol.com](mailto:lheyde51@aol.com) for scholarship if  
needed **by Sept. 15**



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God bless you,  
Jane Winge, NT-NL SWO President

### Rejoice, Pray, Give Thanks!

The NT-NL SWO is holding their annual Women's Retreat on October 11-12, 2024, featuring guest speaker Catherine Walker, author of the book "Boosting your Joy". Catherine Walker is a professional speaker, happiness coach, author and podcast host and human behavior specialist with over 20 years of experience in training and presenting.

More details will follow—so mark your calendars now!



Women's Retreat  
October 11-12, 2024  
Save the Date!

Hosted by King of Glory Lutheran Church, Dallas, TX  
1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 "Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing. In everything, give thanks, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you."

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## Action Items by August 9<sup>th</sup>:

1. To prepare for our SWO Fall Retreat, please submit your t-shirt design for our NT-NL Synodical Women's Organization to [jwinge@aol.com](mailto:jwinge@aol.com)
2. Submit your silent auction item/wine bottle (\$30-\$40) to [sarakh728@gmail.com](mailto:sarakh728@gmail.com)