

Churchwide News:



Bold Café on August 7 @ 7:00 p.m. CDT

Join us for a conversation led by author, Dr. Crystal Hall about rest. Bring your granddaughters, daughters, nieces, and others! We'll provide a downloadable coloring sheet for everyone, and participants are encouraged to bring their favorite stuffed animal or doll.

Date: August 7, 2025

Time: 7:00-8:00pm CDT

Register: <https://www.boldcafe.org/dinner/>

WELCA Triennial Convention will be held online from July 14-16, 2026.

There will be a pre-Convention virtual practice sessions for voting members to become familiar with the virtual voting process.

WELCA Triennial Gathering will be held in Des Moines, Iowa from July 16-19, 2026. Registration is open at <https://www.womenoftheelca.org/new-triennial-event-page>



Run, Walk or Roll is a fundraiser to support the work of the Women of the ELCA health initiative, Raising Up Healthy Women and Girls. You can participate in fundraising electronically and for more info, go to:

https://www.womenoftheelca.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/2026-RWR-Pledge-Kit.final_.pdf



Quilting Challenge is where quilters of all abilities are invited to create a quilt interpreting the I am worthy Gathering theme with a \$25 registration fee. For more info, go to:

<https://www.womenoftheelca.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/QuiltChallenge-Information-2026-FINAL-with-Entry-v2-1.pdf>



Synodical News

Triennial Scholarships Available!

Our Synodical Women's Organization will be offering **\$500** scholarships to women in our organization who want to attend Triennial and meet the requirements:

1. Applicant must be a participant in a W-ELCA unit and a voting member of an ELCA congregation.
2. Persons of color and/or persons whose primary language is other than English should be given first consideration.
3. Special consideration will be given to promote diversity of geographic location, ages, and experience.
4. Preference will be given to first time attendees.
5. Delegates are not eligible for scholarships.
6. Application deadline should be no less than three months prior to registration deadline

You may also contact Linda Heyde at heyde52@aol.com with any question or obtain the scholarship application at <https://ntnlutheranwomen.com/2025/07/01/nt-nl-swo-triennial-scholarship-application/>

Synodical News (continued)



**Rev. Cheryl
Herreid**

Eastern Conference Summer Retreat

Date: Saturday, July 26, 2025

Time: 10:00am-4:00pm

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

Keynote: Rev. Cheryl Herreid, Pastor at Christ the Servant Lutheran, Allen, TX

Cost: Free with lunch and door prizes

RSVP: Email Belinda Walenta at belindawal@aol.com or 903-918-1314

Agenda: 3 Bible studies from summer issues of *Gather magazine* on:

- Relationships that form us: All in the family
- Relationships that sustain us: Where you go, I will go
- Relationships that push us to grow: For such a time as this

NT-NL SWO Convention

Dates: October 10, 2025 from 1:00-8:30pm with business meeting, dinner & worship

October 11, 2025 from 8:30am-4:00pm with worship, workshops & lunch

Place: Calvary Lutheran Church, 7620 Baker Blvd., Richland Hills, TX

Keynote: Patti Reed, Smart Conversations for All Generations

Registration: Early bird \$35/person by 9/12/2025 and email pgrosze@tx.rr.com

Bring: 1 voting delegate per church

1 item/church for silent auction for SWO scholarship (optional)

feminine hygiene products & diapers for NEED Food Bank (optional)



Business Meeting Agenda on October 10 from 1:00-3:00pm for each church delegate/guests:

1. Our Nominating Committee will be accepting nominations for all positions on our board, because we were all elected in 2023
2. Nominate 2 delegates (nonwhite woman and a first-timer attendee) to vote at the 2026 Triennial besides the SWO President
3. Pass a resolution, which the board approved and recommending: "Resolve to discontinue the allocation of yearly checking account interest to the various Custodial Accounts and instead deposit all interest from the account into the Scholarship Fund in order to better utilize these funds to help all in need to participate in WELCA and the NT-NL SWO."



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WELCA Interim Director



Yma Mulero
WELCA Board Member



Rev. Dr. Kendra Mohn
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Goal #1 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://ntnllutheranwomen.com/>

Peace, Jane Winge,
NT-NL SWO President