

Churchwide News:

WELCA Triennial Convention was held online from July 13-14. After worship, Bishop Yehiel Curry greeted us & we voted:

- the 2026-2029 board (pictured from the left: Miranda Searcy, secretary; Linda Clarke, treasurer; Sheena Foster, president and Gwendolynn Edwards, vice president)
- approved the constitutional changes and budget
- Ten of the 27 memorials submitted from Synodical Women's Organizations were submitted and approved



2026 WELCA Triennial Gathering. We had a total of 10 NT-NL women join 1,000 people in Des Moines, Iowa from July 16-19 to enjoy worship, workshops and service projects focused on "I am Worthy" theme from Psalm 139:14. Bishop Yehiel Curry presided over our closing worship.

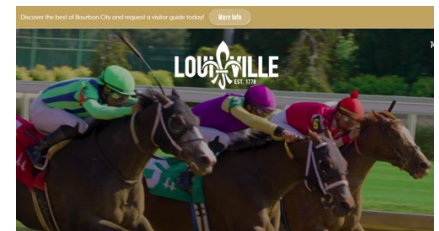
- Pictured from the left: RoxAnne Knauss, Jamie Knauss, Ginger [redacted], Peg Varns, Renea Tucker, Ann Hanley, Sally Weber-Hawthorne, Jane Winge, Marjorie (Marge) Kohler
- Not pictured: Nancy Parker

Our Donation from the NT-NL SWO was a \$500 check to Dorothy's House, which provides a safe place in Des Moines for survivors of human trafficking, exploitation and prostitution¹ to discover their healing journeys through the practice of life.



Run, Walk & Roll had 132 participants on July 18th. It is a fundraiser to support the work of Women of the ELCA health initiative Raising Up Healthy Women and Girls. Money raised supports programs that offer education, health care and advocacy to help women and girls live healthier lives.

2029 Triennial Gathering will be held in Louisville, KY from July 12-15, 2029 with worship, workshops and service projects. Take advantage of \$295 registration **by September 1, 2026** at <https://www.womenoftheelca.org/new-triennial-event-page>. Triennial scholarships are available for registration and hotel approved by our SWO Board at <https://ntnlutheranwomen.com/forms/> and mail to our new Treasurer, RoxAnne Knauss, 1095 Edith Cir., Richardson TX 75080



Synodical News



Seeking a NT-NL SWO Webmaster

If you're interested and have experience with WordPress, please let me know at 972-658-4387 to help us update our website at <https://ntnlutheranwomen.com/>. Minimal updates needed monthly.

First Lutheran Ladies Summer Retreat in Longview on July 25

A Ladies Summer Retreat was held on July 25th at First Lutheran Church in Longview.



Rev. Veronika Czutor, keynote



38 women participated



Belinda Walenta was our retreat coordinator

NT-NL SWO Fall Retreat at St. Matthew in Waco on October 23-24



Love Thy Neighbor (Mark 12:31)

The NTNL Synodical Women's Organization is holding their 2022 Fall Retreat on October 23-24, 2022.

October 23-24, 2022
St. Matthew Lutheran Church, 800 N. New Road, Waco, TX 76798
8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. Registration (Oct 23)
8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Breakfast (Oct 23)
9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Worship Service (Oct 23)
10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Morning Devotion (Oct 23)
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Lunch (Oct 23)
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. Morning Devotion (Oct 24)
1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Morning Devotion (Oct 24)
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Morning Devotion (Oct 24)
3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Morning Devotion (Oct 24)
4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Morning Devotion (Oct 24)
5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Morning Devotion (Oct 24)
6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Morning Devotion (Oct 24)
7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Morning Devotion (Oct 24)
8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Morning Devotion (Oct 24)
9:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Morning Devotion (Oct 24)
10:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. Morning Devotion (Oct 24)
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Please email completed forms and check by October 14, 2022 to:

Registration Information

Name

Street Address

City/State/Zip

Phone

Home Church

Special Dietary Needs / Restrictions

☐ I have early bird fee ☐ I have fee ☐ no fee

Remember the following items:

1. Bring your own lunch and snacks to share (Oct 23-24) for silent auction

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Save the date for our NT-NL Fall Retreat!

Date: Friday, Oct. 23rd, from 3:30-8:15pm

Saturday, Oct. 24th from 8:30am-3:00pm

Place: St. Matthew Lutheran Church, 800 N. New Road, Waco, TX

Theme: Love your neighbor as yourself. Mark 12:31

Keynote: Rev. Irma Banales, Director for Evangelical Mission (DEM)

Cost: \$35/early bird registration by October 2, 2026

Bring: Silent auction item to raise money for our scholarship fund

Optional sightseeing (on your own):

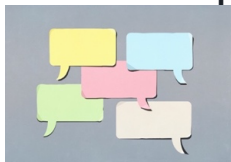
- Silobration from Oct. 22-25 at magnolia.com
- Waco Mammoth National Monument at <https://www.nps.gov/waco>
- Dr. Pepper Museum at <https://drpeppermuseum.com/>
- Baylor Museum at <https://mayborn.web.baylor.edu/>
- Waco Trolley Bus at <https://www.thewacotrolley.com/>

Continuing Education Scholarship Application Due November 15

Our Synodical Women's Organization will be offering \$500 scholarships to women in our organization who want to further their education and need some financial assistance. Applicant must be a participant in a WELCA unit and a voting member of the ELCA. Course of study may have a ministry job component, or it may be for continuing education in job training or updating vocational training. Deadlines for application are **November 15** and **May 15**. To apply, click on <https://ntnlutheranwomen.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/Application.pdf> and mail receipts to our Treasurer, RoxAnne Knauss, 1095 Edith Cir., Richardson TX 75080



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://ntnlutheranwomen.com/>

Peace,
Jane Winge, NT-NL SWO President