

# *LWML Board Meeting Minutes*

April 8th, 2021 –6 pm via Zoom

Members Present: Jody Huebert President, Mary Dunlap Vice President, Mary Ann Zinnel Treasurer, Kristi Hofer Secretary, Cathy VandeBraak Past President, Jolene Hanson Archivist/historian, Maxine Kirlin Hostess Coordinator, Emily Lafrentz Mission Coordinator, Sara Francis Resource Coordinator, Donna Crichton, Kay Nelson.

Opening Devotion Cathy – The Wonder of Worship

Secretary's Report – Kristi Hofer

Treasurer's Report – Mary Ann Zinnel

More information to come on the future payments for the Hostess Program from the Church Board.

Old Business

Minute for Ministry – Due to Easter being the first Sunday - none for April. Kay will be up next in May talking about Mites.

Prayer Sister Ministry – Was everyone able to get cards out to the list given? How are your ladies responding if they have received a card?

Most have been mailed out and receiving good responses from the ladies that have received them. Please update your Member List:

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4709 S Oxbow Ave  
Apt 107  
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Prayer Service was live streamed on March 21<sup>st</sup> at Zion – Thank you to Cathy for coordinating – and to all the volunteers. You can still view on Zion Lutheran YouTube page.

Blessing Bags – 38 Bags filled to the rim were put together on Maundy Thursday and delivered by Emily and Lori B to the Call to Freedom on Friday April 2<sup>nd</sup> along with \$109 cash. They were very appreciative – Thank you to Emily for all the work you did with this project. Also to Lori B for helping Emily deliver and all the ladies who showed up to fill the bags. Beside the congregation's donations, we had used a \$250.00 Thrivent card and \$41.00 in cash to purchase more items.

A thank you will be put in the bulletin for next Sunday.

Emily shared that Call to Freedom was very excited to receive the bags!

Revisions on the word Society in our documents. We have no changes to be made. The only change we need to make is to add the constitution to the by-laws. Which we will do at the end of year with any other changes - to keep consistent with yearly updating.

## New Business

Information for the coming months of 2021 – President Patty (see attachment).

Also attached is the flyer for the Convention – Gifts from the Heart – requested items

It is official the Convention will be held in person – June 20-27 2021 in Lexington Kentucky.

Opportunity for us from South Dakota:

2021 LWML Convention Virtual Photo Finish Mission Walk – can be done any time up to June 4<sup>th</sup> 2021. What a great way to be a part of the convention and donate to the new LWML Mission Goal. Information will be posted to the website in April.

Livestreaming in Lexington:

The LWML will once again, livestream all convention sessions. We will be able to participate in the convention's bible study, hear the grateful and inspiring mission grant speakers, and be there when the new biennium's mission goal and grants are announced. More information and direction will be posted to the website soon.

Are we interested in any of the options – participate in the Walk – Gifts from the Heart – Livestream party/gathering??

Virtual Photo Finish Mission Walk will be held at church May 1<sup>st</sup> @10am. More details coming.

Circle chairs please check with your ladies if they would be interested in having a convention Livestream party/gathering.

Cathy made a motion to make a \$100 donation for each of convention offerings up to \$400. Mary seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

Other Gathering Opportunities:

Since we did not gather as a group in Jan – Do we want to do a picnic/potluck in June/July? Park or Church?

More discussion on this next month.

Winter Gathering – Mary D. – Movie/Bible study idea

Movie-It's a Wonderful Life with 5-week bible study. Circle chairs talk with your ladies and see if they are interested in pursuing this bible study. If so, time of the year? Do we want to break it down into 1 week? Who will lead the bible study?

Chrismons – Does a group want to update these or could be a Dayz of Doing project

Circle chairs please check with your ladies and see if any interest in repairing them at a circle meeting or if repairs should be done during Dayz of Doing.

Hostess Update --- Since things are starting up again – are we getting requests? What can we do to help?

Max reported that events are starting up again. She will be sending out an email to past hostess to see if they are still willing to help or not. As well as gathering days of availability.

Future Meetings – Any suggestions on gathering? Zoom – Outdoors – Atrium – Conference Room.

Meeting will continue via Zoom

## Reports

Past President – Cathy VandeBraak

President – Jody Huebert

Vice President – Mary Dunlap

Treasurer – Mary Ann Zinnel

Secretaries – Kristi Hofer

Chair of Mary Circle – Mary and Donna reported circle project is the St. Francis House. The St. Francis House has recently moved to a new building and started giving tours. Circle is looking into possibly taking a tour.

Chair of Rebekah Circle – Kay reported that at the April meeting her ladies will be making “Thank you” cards for veterans that will be taken to the VA for Memorial Day.

Chairs of Eve Circle – Jody Huebert and Cathy VandeBraak – Meeting in April to continue making blankets

Resource Coordinator – Sara Francis

Archivist/Historian – Jolene Hanson

Library Committee – Illa Biteler

Hostess Coordinator – Max Kirlin-

Mission Coordinator – Emily Lafrentz – Coordination of the Bless Bag project

Adjourn with the Lord’s Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kristi Hofer  
Secretary

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**2021**

**May 6th**

Board Meeting

**June**

24<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> 2021 National Convention in Lexington, Kentucky. Theme: Running the Race ... Looking to Jesus

Sept

17<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> District Retreat in Pierre SD Theme: God's Quilt of Comfort

2022 – LWML SD District Convention, Yankton Zone

## Mary Circle

March 16, 2021

Number Attending: 8 and 2 guests

Met in the Conference Room

Home Offering: \$83.50

Mites: \$71.39

Attending were: Mary Dunlap, Dianne Corkill, Marsha Kritzmire, Dorothy Chronister, Donna Crichton, Val Strandell, Judy Eisenbraun, Jerilyn Harris, and guests, Betty and Tammie Schultz.

Old Business:

A vote was taken by ballot regarding the time change for our meetings. It was voted on to meet at 5:30 PM, rather than 4:45 PM. We are to encourage and invite new members.

Jody Huebert did the Minute for Ministry, March 7<sup>th</sup>, promoting LWML and the Servant Project, the Blessing Bags. Volunteers are needed for Minute for Ministry.

Prayer Sister Ministry postcards were distributed. Additional postcards are available in the LWML box across from the office.

New Business:

The National Mission goal of 2.1 million dollars was met. South Dakota mission goal is \$123,573.00 which includes \$96,423.00 for Outreach (mission grants chosen at convention, ongoing mission grants – The Puppet Place at the SD State Fair, *Today's Light* devotions for women's prison in Pierre, the Student Endowment Fund at the SD LCMS District for students going into church work, and LWML mite contributions.)

Also included, \$30,650.00 for In-Reach (money needed to conduct the business of the district, including conventions, retreats, BOD expenses, etc. We only receive money to pay for these expenses from our mite offerings, except for ink cartridge recycling and in-kind donations (3,500.00). We do not collect ink cartridges for recycling. If anyone is interested in looking into collecting cartridges, they are welcome to do so.

Items for the Blessing Bags for Call to Freedom will be collected from March 7<sup>th</sup> to March 28<sup>th</sup>. Items for the collection are bottles of water, granola bars, fruit snacks, Kleenex packs, shampoo, toothbrush, toothpaste, wash cloth, socks, deodorant, feminine hygiene products, and cash donations.

For the National Convention, donation of gift cards from Walmart and Target, in the amounts of \$10.00, \$20.00 or \$25.00, will be collected. These can be given to Kay Nelson who will be attending the convention.

The LWML Archive 2020 Book will be available on the LWML table through the end of the month before getting archived.

Mary will do the Minute for Ministry in August for the Puppet Place at the South Dakota State Fair.

We will be in a Group, rather than a Society. Revisions are required with the new terminology to the Bylaws and Standing Rules. The word Society and Societies need to be removed and replaced with Group and Groups.

The 2021 LWML SD District Retreat and the Christian Life Workshop will be combined into one event, September 17-18, 2021 at Faith Lutheran in Pierre. "God's Quilt of Comfort-Wrapping Up in the Psalms" will be the theme. Keep these dates in mind.

It was suggested that we do a Book Sale in the fall.

The Sioux Falls Zone LWML Prayer Service will be livestreamed at 2:00, Sunday, March 21<sup>st</sup>. The service can be viewed at this link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jm9lkNZZ9k8>

Opening with prayer, Donna led the Bible Study, "Live a Sparkling Life" from the Winter Lutheran Woman's Quarterly.

The meeting was closed with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jerilyn Harris

### ***LWML Eve Circle Minutes***

March 21, 2021 – 1:00 PM in the Atrium

Members Present: Renee Lehr, Pam Kludt, Lori Brunick, Jolene Hanson, Nancy Bott, Mary Ann Zinnel, Sara Francis, Jody Huebert and Cathy VandeBraak

Opening Devotion – Daughters of the King: Sarah – God's Time or Mine

Offerings: Home (used for general fund for our society giving/use in funding our projects), Mite (75% used for state and 25% used for national mission grant funding).

Old Business

February Mite offerings \$72.74 and Home offering \$88.00. Total \$160.74.

Blessing Bag In-gathering for Call To Freedom continues through Sunday, March 28<sup>th</sup>. Items needed are bottles of water, granola bars, fruit snacks, Kleenex packs, shampoo, bar soap, tooth brush, toothpaste, deodorant, wash clothes, socks and cash. Items will be placed into the blue Zion bags and taken to Call to Freedom. Jody has received \$60 in cash donations. If you would like to give a cash donation, please give them to Jody. Emily has a Thrivent card and will shop for any additional items needed. We would like to deliver the bags by Easter. With that being said, we will assemble the bags on Thursday, April 1<sup>st</sup> at 5:45pm, prior to Maundy Thursday service.

Sioux Falls Zone Prayer Service is today. It can be viewed on YouTube any time after today by following this link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jm9lkNZZ9k8>. Thank you to everyone involved to make this a success.

Prayer Sister Program. Additional postcards are available in the LWML box located across from the office.

## New Business

How would you like to see our future meetings?

- Continue in the Atrium after 2<sup>nd</sup> service. This allows us to social distance.
- Outside, once the weather warms up.
- Gather at a member's home (Jill, Lori and Sara-hint, hint)

What type of activities would you like to see happening this summer? Below are some ideas

- Complete another Ingathering
- Charity walk

Just a reminder that individual and boxed cards are available to purchase. They are located on the bookshelf near the LWML table.

District Retreat will be held in Pierre on September 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>.

Facebook pages:

Eve Circle: the information posted here is for Zion Eve Circle

Zone: the information posted here is for LWML Zone

Adjourn with The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Sara Francis

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### March

21<sup>st</sup> Sioux Falls Zone Prayer Service will be livestreamed at 2:00 and available on YouTube

### April

1<sup>st</sup> Assemble Blessing Bags 5:45

18<sup>th</sup> Eve Circle Meeting and tie blanket activity

### May

16<sup>th</sup> Eve Circle Meeting

**June**

20<sup>th</sup> Eve Circle Meeting

24<sup>th</sup> –27<sup>th</sup> 2021 National Convention in Lexington, Kentucky. Theme: Running the Race ... Looking to Jesus

**July**

18<sup>th</sup> Eve Circle Meeting

August

15<sup>th</sup> Eve Circle Meeting

**September**

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19<sup>th</sup> Eve Circle Meeting

***LWML Rebekah Circle***

*March 23,2021*

*Atrium*

*Members Present: 11 Alverna Anderson, Jan Frentz, Carol Harms, Audrey Hein, Lois Jones, Max Kirlin, Marie Kruger, Sunhild Muldbakken, Kay Nelson, Norma Robinson, Stacy Tisher (excited to be together)*

*Members Not Present: 9 Illa Biteler, Carol Ekse, Val Ohrt, Roselyn Olson, Lu Otten, Avis Priest, Betty Schultz, Coletta Venske, Shirley Wright*

***March OFFERING:*** Home \$135 Mites \$115 Mission \$45 ( TOTAL \$295.00)

*Call to Order and Prayer: Kay Nelson*

***Old Business***

*Review of LWML Board minutes, discussion of Blessing Bags and Call to Freedom*

***New Business***

*Days for Girls local Sioux falls Chapter has closed. Please consider other missions for Rebekah Circle to support*

*Lois Jones shared Lutheran School and Max Kirlin shared Zion Youth Group for National Convention. If you have any ideas please share with Kay Nelson. We will vote on our local mission support at April meeting.*

*Stacy Tisher will be holding the Local Mission offering at this time.*

*National Goal for missions has been met*

*Prayer Sister cards can be found in the Zion Conference Room*

*Prayer Service was Live streamed last Sunday*

*Rebekah Circle will be supporting Veterans with cards provided by Kay Nelson at April's meeting.*

*Discussion related to getting list of Zion's Veterans and how to support.*

*Discussion of Zion LWML Book Sale plan. Unknown date and plan at this time*

***Bible Study: God's true Desire for His Children. Closed with Bible Study Prayer in Unison***

*Marie Kruger and Kay Nelson shared reading of LWML pledge*

***Prayer Requests:***

*Avis Priest broken her tailbone. She is at home healing.*

***Next Meeting: April 13 in Atrium***

*Respectfully Submitted: Stacy Tisher, Rebekah Circle*