

Ruth LWML Guild Meeting Minutes

January 17 , 2026

Members Present: 18 and Pastor Greg Guests: 2

Mites: \$146.37 Home: \$88 Large Mite Box: \$0.74 Total Mites: \$147.11 Mites and Home Total: \$235.11

Pastor Greg led the Bible Study: What is Hap-pen-ing?

Members at Large: January-March: Faith, Mary; April-June: Illa, need 1 more; July-September: Betty , Marie; October-December: Need 2 people

February 2026 Meeting Treats– Jan F. and Linda K.; March-Faith; April-Marsha and Phyllis; May-Illa; June- Sandy K. and Lenny; July-Max and Audrey; August-Alverna and Carol H.; September- Betty; October-Mary; November-Jerilyn; December-Christmas Party

Thank you's received

- **Bonnie M and Ray B for Christmas Cards**
- **Main Street Living for \$400 donation**
- **Call to Freedom for \$400 donation**
- **Rev. Scott Sailer on behalf of the Sioux Falls Lutheran School for the \$400 donation. The donation will be used for the Tree of Love program.**

Treasurer's Report

Available Balance (after Hostess money is taken out): approximately \$1500

Saturday Meeting

We will continue meetings on the 3rd Saturday of the month at 10 am. We will also continue a Pastor led Bible Study each month.

Card Ministry

Met on Tuesday, January 13 to make Valentine Cards. Will meet on the 3rd Tuesday from 9:30-11:30 in the Youth Room. If our meeting is before the 3rd Tuesday, the day might change so cards are ready to sign at the Guild meeting. We have plenty of stamps right now. Holidays that cards will be sent: Valentine's Day, Easter, 4th of July, Thanksgiving, Christmas.

At Large Members

See above for this year's schedule. April-June we are still in need of 1 person. October-December we are in need of 2 people.

Treat Schedule

See above for this year's schedule. March, May, September, October and November only have 1 member signed up. If you are able to help for one of these months please add your name to the

sign up sheet at the February meeting.

Zone Prayer Service–January 31

This will be held at Zion this year. Ruth and Eve Groups will provide fruit and quick breads before the service. Eve Group will serve the treats. Ruth Guild will greet people. Fellowship and Treats start at 9:00. The blended service starts at 10.

Lenten Meal–March 4

Mary made a motion for Marsha to apply for a grant. Then use the grant to order pizza for the meal. Max seconded the motion. After discussion the motion passed. Carrots and celery will also be provided for the meal. Members will bring desserts. 15 pizzas? Gluten Free pizzas?

LWML Sunday–October 4

Ruth Guild's turn to do treats

Planning for 2026

1st Quarter–January, February, March: Planning/Pizza Party

2nd Quarter–April, May, June: Diaper Derby

3rd Quarter–July, August, September: Shut Ins

4th Quarter–October, November, December: Christmas Party

- Diaper Derby–Mary made a motion to collect diapers from Mother's Day to Father's Day. Diapers will be donated to the Alpha Center and to have a speaker at our June meeting from the Alpha Center. Betty seconded. The motion passed.
- Shut-ins–Do we want to do this throughout the months in the 3rd quarter? Do lunch as a group one of those months? There are about 30 shut-ins.
- Christmas Party–December 18. Anyone want to be on a committee (about 4-5 people) to plan this. This should be started soon so we can secure entertainment.
- Fundraising–Bake Sale again on LWML Sunday with Eve Group?
- Activities/Outreach–Road trip to the Orphan Grain Train? Serving lunch at St. Francis House?

Zone/District Information

- January 31–Prayer Service at Zion Lutheran Church at 10.
- June 5-6–Convention in Rapid City. \$100 Registration, \$85 meals (all or none), \$150 motel–Best Western Ramkota, possibly a bus to the Mt. Rushmore lighting Thursday night.
- Fall Rally–either the 1st or 2nd Sunday in November–will update as soon as we know the exact date

January 31–Zone Prayer Service–Zion Lutheran–10:00

February 21, 2026–Ruth LWML Guild Meeting 10:00–Board meeting to follow

March 4–Serve Lenten Meal

March 21, 2026–Ruth LWML Guild Meeting 10:00–Board meeting to follow

April 18, 2026-Ruth LWML Guild Meeting 10:00—Board meeting to follow
May 16, 2026—Ruth LWML Guild Meeting 10:00-Board meeting to follow
June 5-6, 2026-District Convention-Rapid City, SD
October 4—LWML Sunday
July 8-11, 2027--LWML Convention—Oklahoma City, OK

Respectfully submitted, Julie