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LUTHERAN CHURCH OF AMERICA**



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SUMMERVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA

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Thirty-Sixth Annual Convention

South Carolina Women of the Evangelical Church of America

St. Luke's Lutheran Church

Summerville, South Carolina

Friday, June 21 and Saturday June 22, 2024

Theme: Just Love

Scripture: 1 John 4:19

"We love because He first loved us."

Purpose of the Convention

To conduct the business, to elect officers and synodical board members, and to adopt a budget that will enable us to continue to fulfill the purpose of the Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

Women of the ELCA Mission Statement

To mobilize women to act boldly on their faith in Jesus Christ.



The symbol – the cross, water, and water lily

– identifies Women of the ELCA as baptized, forgiven, children of God, full of grace and hope of eternal life.

It is a reminder of the growth, beauty, and vitality that rises out of that life-giving baptismal water.

It is also a reminder of the mission of the church to

“Go, therefore, make disciples of all nations; baptize them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.”

Matthew 28:19

Purpose Statement

As a community of women created in the image of God, called to discipleship in Christ,
and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to grow in faith, affirm our gifts, support one another in our callings, engage in ministry and action, and promote healing and wholeness in the church, the society, and the world.

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Blessings to each of you, my siblings in Christ!

I bring you greetings from your churchwide executive board, representing all of you as we continue to breathe new life into the bones of our beloved Women of the ELCA. You are part of this revitalization, and I give thanks for each of you, and for your congregational units, your conferences and clusters, and your synodical women's organizations. As you convene in your annual or biennial synodical women's conventions, know that you are being lifted up in prayer by the leadership of your executive

board.

Your conventions involve more than transacting necessary business. They are also opportunities to be inspired by the messages of clergy and gifted speakers and to be challenged by issues facing our neighbors and our communities, including immigration, human trafficking, and racism. You also celebrate accomplishments, make new friends, and reconnect with old. You eat together, pray together, laugh together, grow in faith together. And you leave re-energized to continue our mission and ministry. You are bold Women of the ELCA!

Thank you for being the face of Christ as we learn to dismantle actions that exclude our siblings from feeling welcomed, included, and heard. Each of you are ambassadors of God's Just Love.

Together, we are the women's ministry arm of our ELCA. God has called us into this work. I pray you will feel the call, and the power of the Holy Spirit, as you gather together. I walk with you on this journey.

With Just Love,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Myrna Wells-Ulland".

Myrna Wells-Ulland
President, 2023-2026 Triennium
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Meet our Churchwide Representative



Myrna Wells-Ulland
Executive Board President
Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

Myrna Wells-Ulland was elected to the executive board for Women of the ELCA in September 2023. In addition to serving as president, she serves on the executive committee and the executive director evaluation committee.

Myrna is past president and board member of the Grand Canyon Synodical Women's Organization (SWO). As president, she represented the SWO on the Grand Canyon Synod Council. She's coordinated several retreats for the Grand Canyon Women. Myrna also served four years as president of the board of the Northeastern Minnesota SWO.

She serves on the leadership team of **2122: Growing Katie's Fund for the next 100 years** campaign. Myrna recently chaired a campaign for the Grand Canyon Synod, called "Growing Generosity," to raise funds for a new generation of growth within the synod.

As an active member of Living Water Lutheran Church in Scottsdale, Ariz., she leads a weekly women's Bible study, coordinates their Piecemakers mission quilting, sings in the choir, and serves in other leadership areas. Myrna also serves on the Grand Canyon Synod Council. She chairs the board of a small Minnesota-based non-profit, Peter's Hope, supporting an elementary school and women's empowerment center in Mombasa, Kenya.

Myrna grew up on a small dairy farm in northeastern Minnesota. An alum of The College of St. Scholastica, she's retired from a career in health care in Duluth, Minn., and following retirement, held the position of executive director of her professional association in Minnesota. Myrna and her husband, Bob Ulland, moved to Arizona in 2013. When not spending time with their families, their favorite travel destination is Maui, and they enjoy puzzles of every kind.

A Look Back in History

Term	President
1885	Mrs. JJ Steck
1885 - 1888	Mrs. Peter Robertson
1889	Mrs. CA Marks
1889 - 1894	Mrs. MC Rawl
1895 - 1896	Mrs. JH Wyse
1897 - 1899	Mrs. MM Kinard
1900	Mrs. SL Nease
1901 - 1908	Mrs. AB Scherer
1909 - 1933	Mrs. MOJ Kreps, Sr.
1933 - 1937	Mrs. HA McCullough, Sr.
1937 - 1942	Miss Marie Heinsohn
1942 - 1945	Mrs. MJ Moretz
1945 - 1949	Mrs. Karl W. Kinard
1949 - 1952	Mrs. JB Moose
1952 - 1955	Mrs. J Virgil Long
1955 - 1958	Miss Lois McCartha
1958 - 1961	Mrs. Ralph D Derrick
1961 - 1965	Mrs. Herman W Cauble
1965 - 1968	Mrs. Murray Counts
1968 - 1971	Mrs. John H Koch, Jr.
1971 - 1973	Mrs. J Harry Crout
1973 - 1975	Mrs. James F Shealy
1975 - 1979	Mrs. J Murray Shull, Jr.
1979 - 1981	Mrs. Thomas R Peacock
1981 - 1983	Mrs. Wilbur Shealy
1983 - 1985	Jean Shealy (Hallman)
1985 - 1987	Mrs. Heber Rast
1988 - 1990	Gloria Rast
1990 - 1992	Diane Smith
1992 - 1994	Dot Wise
1994 - 1996	Susan (Crosby) Sanders
1996 - 1998	Christine Whitaker
1998 - 2002	Carolyn Torrance
2002 - 2005	Bunny Wessinger
2005 - 2010	Diane Wicker
2010 - 2014	Donna Fulmer
2014 - 2016	Virginia Herlong
2016 - 2021	Becky Koch
2021 - 2025	Risse Snelgrove

Year	Convention Theme
1988	A New Creation
1989	Sisters in Christ Near and Far
1990	God's Gifts Go On and On
1991	Each One, Reach One
1992	Blessed To Be a Blessing
1993	Mirror of Hope
1994	We Are Called
1995	Here I Am Lord
1996	Proclaim God's Promise
1997	Living Our Faith
1998	Sending Forth Servants of God
1999	Moved By the Spirit
2000	Sowing Seeds of Justice
2001	Grow Through God's Grace
2002	Abundant Blessings
2003	Listen, God is Calling
2004	Guide Us Lord
2005	Responding to God's Call
2006	Act Boldly
2007	Walk Faithfully
2008	Seek Justice
2009	Come to the Waters
2010	Bold Women Crossing the Waters
2011	Renew, Respond, Rejoice
2012	Tend and Nourish
2013	Fill My Cup Lord
2014	Of Many Generations
2015	Be Thou My Vision
2016	For the Sake of Children
2017	All Anew
2018	Christ, Be Our Light
2019	Grace in Community
2020	No convention - pandemic
2021	Just Love
2022	He's Got the Whole World in His Hands
2023	Just Love One Another

General Information

RegistrationEntrance to Family Life Center (FLC)

Friday, June 21, 2024.....Begins at 8:30 a.m.

Saturday, June 22, 2024.....Begins at 8:30 a.m.

Convention Committees

Committee on Credentials is **Room TBD - FLC**

Committee on Minutes is **Room TBD - FLC**

Committee on Report of the President is **Room TBD - FLC**

Committee on Reference and Counsel is **Room TBD - FLC**

Committee on Conduct of Elections is **Church Office Conf Room - FLC**

Orientation - Voting Members and Visitors.....Family Life Center

Friday, June 21, 2024.....9:00 a.m.

Seating

Voting members will be seated at designated tables.

Visitors will be seated at designated tables.

Voting members and visitors are expected to be in their seats ten (10) minutes before the scheduled time for the opening of each session.

Identification

Synodical Board.....Green

Young Women Guests.....Pink

Voting members Blue

First Timer Guests.....Lavender

Visitors..... Yellow

Staff/Participants/Volunteers.....Gold

Information Center.....Next to Registration Table

Resolution and Nomination Forms, Lost and Found, Announcements, etc.

Display Area.....Family Life Center

Evaluation and Volunteer Forms In Your Packet

Please complete and return the evaluation form in your packet.

Your comments will be valuable in helping to plan the next convention.

Also, please complete the volunteer form.

We depend on volunteers to fill many needed roles. **Thank you!**

Prayer Room.....Chapel

Photographs

By registering for this event, you give SC Women of the ELCA permission to use your image in informational and promotional materials.

Convention Special Guests

Bishop of the SC Synod of the ELCA.....Bishop Ginny Aebischer
Keynote Speaker..... Pastor Greg Van Dyke
Convention Chaplain.....Pastor Rebecca Wicker
Companion Synod, ELC of Tanzania, SW Diocese.....Dr. Cathy Milejczak
Entertainment Special Guest.....Tim Lowry

Lutheran Institutions

Newberry College.....The Rev. David Coffman
SC Lutheran Retreat Centers.....Dallas Shealy

Organizations

Thrivent Financial.....Robert Kopp
Lutheran Disaster Relief.....Ruth Ann Sipe
Lutheran Family Services.....Emily Dubay
SC Lutheran Men in Mission.....Phillippe Cote & Randy
Barnes

Convention Projects

She Shed for Tanzania.....Cathy Milejczak
5th Gospel Mission.....Pastor Bobby Morris
Neighbors Together.....Suzanne Young

Convention Workshops

Bible Study with Ashlyn Cox

Room 212 in Education Building

Ashlynn Cox will explore our theme “Just Love” and our bible verse is 1 John 4:19. It is the effectual love of God that first changes our hearts, in order to make us capable of love, and it is His example of love that reminds us again and again of our need to love other people.

Pottery with Roger Clark

Library in FLC

Demonstration of functional, decorative hand-thrown stoneware pottery intertwined with scripture. <https://www.facebook.com/rogerclarkpottery>

Neighbors Together

Room 210 in Education Building

Suzanne Young

Join Suzanne to learn more about this wonderful organization serving those in need!

<https://neighborstogether.org/>

Art Gallery Trip

Public Works Art Center is a family-friendly nonprofit community art center in the heart of downtown Summerville. One block from the church, with three galleries, a pottery studio (with two kilns), an artisan and art supply gift shop, twelve studio artist spaces, and so much more. Public Works Art Center is the creative cultural hub of the Lowcountry.

<https://publicworksartcenter.org/>

Thrivent Financial Planning

Room 203 in Education Building

Saving for retirement? Buying a home? You probably have some [financial goals](#) in mind, but maybe you're less clear on the steps to take to achieve them. Thrivent has some useful ideas for you.

Quilted Heart Craft

Conference Room FLC

Marcie Vyse will work with participants to create a quilted heart for the “I found a quilted heart” program. The IFAQH community of volunteers place small, quilted hearts around the globe to brighten the day of a stranger. www.ifoundaquiltedheart.com

Staying Healthy as We Age

Room 204 Education Building

Amanda Biondi, RN MSN, Agape Care Group

Amanda will lead a discussion on healthy aging that will include best practices on vaccinations, social relationships/pets, advanced care planning, physical activity, & nutrition for women, as they grow older.

Truth in Healing

Room 211 Education Building

Pat George

This class will discuss the ELCA Truth in Healing Movement and Land Acknowledgement. You will learn what this movement is and why it is important. We will discuss what Land Acknowledgement is and how to find out what tribes once occupied the land you live or worship on. You will be given resources to do a land acknowledgement at your own services and meetings.

Churchwide Rep & SCWELCA Board Q&A

Choir Room FLC, Open Platform

Join us for questions, answers, and/or clarifications from our state board members and WELCA President Myrna Wells-Ulland.

2024 Convention Committees

Committee on Credentials - Room **TBD** – Family Life Center

Title	Name	Email	Phone	Conference
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2023-2024 Mission Committees

Growth: Cindy McManus, Chair

Joy Derrick

Sallie Folk

Action: Sarah Cheesman, Chair

Christie Gardner

Merri Lewis

Community: Linda Roland, Chair

Diane Wicker

LaTynia Taylor

2024 Convention Staff

Chair: Christie Gardner

Co-Chair: Joy Derrick

Churchwide Rep: Myrna Wells-Ulland

Registrar: Jennifer Nuovo

Asst. Registrar: Janet Riddle

Young Women Guest Coordinator: Brianna Harris

First Time Coordinator: Cheryl Peters

Mission Action Chair: Sarah Cheesman

Keynote Speaker: Pastor Greg Van Dyke

Parliamentarian: Densie Caulder*

Photographer: Olivia Fulmer*

Song Leaders: Kathy Peddicord and Tracy Mathews*

Banquet Entertainment: Tim Lowery*

Chaplain: Pastor Rebecca Wicker

Musician: Sherry Martschink*

Nominating Committee Chair: Becky Koch*

Technology Coordinator: Pat George*

Conference Coordinators: Joanne Perrin and Luanne Farish

Host Church Pastor: Pastor Nathan Rice and Pastor Andrea Rice

Host Conferences: Amelia, Coastal and Epiphany

Host Church: St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Summerville

Asterisk (*) indicates Non-Board position

2023 – 2024 South Carolina WELCA Board

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2024 CONVENTION AGENDA

36th Annual Convention of the SC Women of the ELCA

St. Luke's Lutheran Church

Summerville, SC

June 21-22, 2024

Friday June 21, 2024

Registration Opens.....8:30 am

Voting Member Orientation.....9:00 am

Orientation for Young Women Guests.....9:00 am

Orientation for First Time Attendees.....9:00 am

Opening of Convention and Service of Holy Communion

Prelude.....9:30 am

Convention Hymn: "We Love Because He Loved Us First"

Prayer

Forgiveness of Sins

Readings

Homily

Holy Communion

Formal Opening of Convention

Pastor: May the Lord be with you!

Community: And, also with you!

Pastor: We gather in the name of the Father, of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and as a community of women
Let us pray!

President: We love because He first loved us. As we praise our Lord and His Love for us,
We share our Love of God with our Sisters and Brothers by,

Community: engaging in ministry and action, and promoting healing and wholeness in the Church, the society and the world.

President: O' God, it is your will

Community: For us to love one another. No one can say, “I Love God” but hate my neighbor. For anyone who does not love their neighbor, whom they have seen, cannot love God when they have not seen.

President: Grant us, O Lord, the Holy Spirit, to inspire us through Your Word to just love one another. Be with us as we convene to deliberate, debate, plan, vote, act. Help us to make decisions that will help us show our love for you.

Community: As we gather let us celebrate our accomplishments, grow in faith so that we may share Your love to those who need to know you. Amen!

President: As President of the South Carolina Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, I declare the 36th Annual Women of the ELCA Convention is now in session. May the spirit of Christ direct us in all our efforts so in the end God’s will may be done.

Plenary Session One

Welcome from St. Luke’s Lutheran Church (Pastor Nathan Rice).....10:30 am

Greetings from the SC Synod: (Bishop Virginia S. Aebischer).....10:35 am

Introductions: Officers, Board Members, Past Presidents, Churchwide WELCA President, Conference Officers, Special Guest, First Time Attendee Guest, First Time Voting Members and Young Women Guest.

Appointment of the Parliamentarian and Convention Committees

Organization of Convention.....11:00 am

Adoption of Rules and Procedure (Board Recommendation #1)

Adoption of Convention Program / Agenda (Board Recommendation #2)

Business Session One

First Report of the Committee on Credentials

Nomination Ballot for Vice President

Greetings from Special Guest(s)

Announcements

Break for Workshop A.....11:30 am

*******NOMINATIONS FROM THE FLOOR FOR SECRETARY CLOSSES AT 12PM*******

Lunch.....12:30 pm

Blessing of the Meal

Plenary Session Two

Joy in Singing.....1:35 pm

Business Session Two

Second Report from the Committee on Credentials.....1:40 pm

Report of the Committee on Conduct of Elections

First Ballot for Vice President

Adoption of Audit Report (Board Recommendation #3)

Greetings from Special Guest(s)

Keynote Speaker (Pastor Gregg Van Dyke).....2:00 pm

Break.....2:30 pm

Re-Convene.....2:45 pm

Adoption of Audit Report (Board Recommendation #3)

Report of Morning Offering

Greetings from Special Guest(s)

Report from the Committee on Conduct of Elections for Vice President

Second Ballot for Vice President

Report from the Committee on Conduct of Elections for Vice President

Third Ballot for Vice President (if necessary)

Presentation of the 2025-2026 Budget

Greetings from Special Guest(s)

Announcements

*******NOMINATIONS FROM THE FLOOR FOR BOARD MEMBERS CLOSES AT 5:00 PM*******

Workshop B	3:45 pm
Workshop C	4:45 pm
Banquet Meal	6:00 pm
Entertainment	7:00 pm
Lobby Devotions at Hotels	9:00 pm

Saturday June 22, 2024

Morning Walk to the local Farmers Market	8:00 am
Registration Opens	8:30 am

Joy in Singing.....	8:55 am
Announcements	

Morning Devotions (Pastor Rebecca Wicker)	9:00 am
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Plenary Session Three

Business Session Three

Third Report from the Committee on Credentials.....	9:30 am
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Report on the Committee on Elections (Results of Third Ballot)

Report from the Nominating Committee on Secretary

Report from the Committee on Elections

First Ballot for Secretary

Greetings from Special Guest(s)

Treasurer's Report for 2023

Adoption of the 2025-2026 Budge (Board Recommendation #4)

Report on the Committee of Conduct of Elections (Results of Frist Ballot for Secretary

Report from the Nominating Committee for Board Members

First Ballot for Board Members

Greetings from Special Guest(s)

Break.....10:30 am

Business Continues

Report from the Board

Greetings from Special Guest(s)

Report of the Committee on the Conduct of Elections

Second Ballot for Board Members

Greetings from Special Guest(s)

Report on Katie's Fund from Churchwide Committee Member Jody Smiley

Greetings from the Churchwide President (Myrna Wells-Ulland)11:30 am

Announcements

Break for Lunch.....12:00 pm

Blessing of the Meal

Plenary Session Four

Joy in Singing.....12:55 pm

Business Continues

Fourth Report from the Committee on Credentials.....1:00 pm

Report of the Committee on Conduct of Elections

Third Ballot for Board Members (if needed)

Introduction of Young Women Guest(s)

Introduction of First Time Attendees

Report from the Action Committee on Convention Projects.....1:45 pm

Blessings of Gifts for Convention Projects

Greetings from Special Guest(s)

Report of the Secretary

Report of the Vice President

Report of the Committee on Conduct of Elections

Report of the President

Report of the Committee on Minutes

Greetings from Special Guest(s)

Report of the Reference and Counsel Committee

Unfinished Business

Announcements

Worship Service with Holy Communion.....3:30 pm

Convention Offerings

Land Acknowledgment

Recognition of Outgoing Officers and Board Members

Installation of 2024-2025 Officers and Board Members

FORMAL CLOSING OF CONVENTION

President: As this convention draws to a close, we offer our thanks to God for His spirit moving among us and in us during our time together as sisters in Christ.

Community: We praise You, O' Lord, for great is Your love for us and all Your children.

President: Thank you, dear Lord, for guiding us as we conducted our necessary business, studying Your Word, praying for each other, witnessing, and learning that we love because You first loved us.

Community: We praise You, O' Lord, for great is Your love for us and all Your children.

President: Bless our efforts as Women of the ELCA. Keep us grounded in faith and continue to unite us as we do Your work here on earth Lord.

Community: Father, help us to keep our hearts and minds open so that we may continue to serve those who need us the most. Amen!

President: Take heart of daughters of Jesus Christ as I now declare the 36th Convention of the South Carolina Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America closed. Go in peace. Serve the Lord and love one another.

Community: Thanks be to God!

Proposed Rules and Procedures

Voting Member Body

Voting members of a convention shall be the elected officers and board members of the Synodical Women's Organization (SWO) and two voting members from each unit on the roll of this SWO.

Seating of Voting Members

Voting members must present their credentials to the Committee on Credentials before being seated in the section reserved for them. Voting members must be registered by 9:00a.m., Saturday, June 21, 2024. The roll of voting members may not be changed after 9:00a.m., Saturday, June 22, 2024.

Quorum

A majority of the registered voting members shall constitute a quorum.

Appointment of Committees

The president shall announce the appointment of the following committees:

- Committee on Report of the President
- Committee on Credentials
- Committee on Reference and Council
- Committee on Minutes
- Committee on Conduct of Elections

Privilege of the Floor

Seat and voice shall be granted to the following:

1. The representative of Women of the ELCA
2. Chairpersons of SWO committees, in connection to their reports
3. The Bishop of the SC Synod of the ELCA or the Bishop's representative
4. One representative from each congregation not represented by a unit (SC SWO Constitution – ARTICLE VI, SECTION 2, Item 2)
5. Others to whom the Convention shall accord this privilege.

Conduct of Elections

The **VICE PRESIDENT** shall be elected for a term of two years by a nominating ballot. The vote will be completed for the **Vice President** before commencing a vote for the Secretary. Three-fourths of the votes cast shall be required for election for each of the first ballots, respectively. If no one is elected, the first ballot for each shall be considered the nominating ballot. On the

Proposed Rules of Procedures (cont.)

second ballot, two-thirds of the votes cast shall be required for election. On the third ballot, the voting shall be limited to the two persons (plus ties) receiving the highest number of votes on the second ballot, and a majority of votes shall elect.

The **Secretary**, and four (4) **BOARD MEMBERS shall be elected for a term of two years**. The Nominating Committee shall nominate twice the number of persons for the vacancies to be filled. Additional nominations may be made from the floor. Nominations from the floor shall require permission of the person being nominated and biographical information shall be prepared for distribution at the time of the nomination. Biographical information must be received by the close of the last business session, Friday, June 21, 2024. A majority of votes cast shall be required for the election. After the first ballot, voting shall be limited to the two (2) persons receiving the highest numbers of votes for each remaining vacancy.

Each Election shall be completed before another election begins.

Voting Procedure

To be eligible to vote, a voting member must be seated in the designated voting member section. No proxy or absentee voting is permitted.

Voting cards will be used as follows:

Affirmative vote: GREEN

Negative vote: RED

Speeches

All speeches in general discussion, unless otherwise determined by a two-thirds vote of the Convention, shall be limited to two (2) minutes. No person shall speak more than twice on the same issue without the consent of the Convention, and only after others have spoken. Speakers must use the microphone and identify themselves by name, congregational unit, and city of the congregation to be recognized by the chair.

Motions and Resolutions

Any voting member may make a motion or present a resolution from the floor if the motion or resolution is germane to the question under consideration. If any voting member desires to add any item of new business (that is, a motion or resolution of general character and not germane to the pending question), she shall:

- A. Write a motion or resolution on the appropriate form,
- B. Provide the signatures of five (5) voting members representing a different unit of the SWO, and
- C. Submit the form to the Committee of Reference and Counsel no later than the close of the last business session on Friday, June 21, 2024.

Proposed Rules of Procedures (cont.)

The Committee on Reference and Council shall report to the Convention with its recommendation for handling such new business, which may include a recommendation that the matter be not considered. A two-thirds vote of the Committee shall be required to add the item of new business to the agenda or send the matter to the SWO Board for consideration and action.

All motions, other than routine ones, such as motions for approval of proposed action on adjournment, etc., shall be presented in writing to the secretary before action is taken.

If anyone desires to distribute printed matter, not issuing from the secretary, it must be given to the Committee on Reference and Counsel for approval before distribution.

Attendance

Voting members shall not absent themselves from any meeting of the Convention without valid excuse.

Governing Parliamentary Law

Robert's Rules of Order – latest edition – shall be the governing law of this convention, except as otherwise provided in the constitution and bylaws.

Board Recommendations

1. That the proposed Rules of Convention Procedures as printed in the Bulletin of Reports be adopted.
2. That the Convention program, which is outlined in the Bulletin of Reports (BOR), be adopted as the agenda for this Convention with changes as deemed necessary.
3. That the Audit Report of the Treasurer be adopted.
4. That the proposed budget for February 1, 2025 – January 31, 2026, be adopted.

Report of the Synodical Board

The SC Synodical Women's Organization strived to meet all of the duties and responsibilities deemed to us found in our SC SWO Constitution.

ARTICLE V

Section 1. FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES of the SC Women's Organization Board in partnership with the Churchwide Women's Organization, Conferences, and Units, shall within its territory

Item 1. Establish plans and policies to fulfill the purpose of the organization;

Item 2. Activate churchwide organization emphases and priorities;

Item 3. Stimulate growth in faith and its significance for all of life;

Item 4. Recruit, prepare, and support leaders;

Item 5. Work within the church and society for the affirmation of women and the utilization of their gifts for ministry;

Item 6. Promote and advocate for peace and justice in cooperation with others;

Item 7. Foster creative programming in units and conferences;

Item 8. Assist units to design appropriate structure for effective functioning;

Item 9. Foster the grouping of units in conferences and assist in building supportive and interdependent relationship among individuals and units;

Item 10. Promote and interpret the life and work of the organization with the organization and the church and to the general public;

Item 11. establish financial policies, build budgets, and encourage support of the financial objectives of the synodical women's organization by individuals and units;

Item 12. Establish and promote ecumenical relationships, consistent with churchwide policy;

Item 13. Provide for synodical women's organization conventions; and

Item 14. Provide materials and historical information for the archivist.

Duties of the Board for Convention:

- Transact necessary business and make programmatic decisions between Conventions.
- Set policies required for effective and efficient functioning.
- Supervise and coordinate the work of all committees which the Board may appoint.
- Identify board members for networking between the churchwide organization and the unit in both programmatic and organizational concerns.
- Determine the time and place of each Convention.
- Prepare the proposed agenda, rules of procedure, and the program for adoption by each Convention.
- Report its actions to each regular Convention.
- Recommend the budget to the regular Convention.
- Fill vacancies in the offices and board membership until the next Convention.
- Determine the fact of the incapacity of an officer or board member to perform her duties.
- Act as constitution and by-laws committee.
- Act in such other matters as may be delegated to it by the convention of the Synodical Women’s Organization.

The synodical board is composed of four officers and eight elected members. Board members have attended board meetings, given reports, and spent many hours fulfilling their duties faithfully. Non- board members have served on various committees, as part of the Convention Committees, as Young Women Guests Coordinator, and as First Time Guests Coordinator.

Board Meetings

September 2, 2023.....Lutheridge, Arden, NC

February 16, 2024.....Camp Kinard, Batesburg Leesville, SC

May 4, 2024.....St.Luke’s Lutheran Church, Summerville, SC

June 20, 2024..... St.Luke’s Lutheran Church, Summerville, SC

SC Women of the ELCA Goals for 2024-2025

The goals for SC Women of the ELCA are based on the Women of the ELCA Purpose Statement. An expanded version, which has specific goals for each section, may be found on the SC WELCA website under Tools for Leaders (www.scwelca.com).

“Community of Women” – We are a group of women created in the image of God and empowered by the Holy Spirit. We are called to develop and engage an inclusive movement to bring all women into fellowship and ministry for community.

“Disciples of Jesus Christ” – We are followers of Jesus who strive to live in the way of Christ.

“Grow in Faith”- Through faith opportunities and using resources available, we grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and experience it at work in our lives as we minister to each other.

“Affirm our Gifts”- Led by the Holy Spirit, we engage in a discernment process of our best gifts and use these gifts to serve God and serve others.

“Support one another in our callings”- We provide financial support and off faith opportunities for women to share God’s grace.

“Engage in Ministry and Action” – United in love, we are called to act with justice, which is faith in action.

“Promote Healing and Wholeness” – United in love, we are called to act with justice, which is faith in action.

Report of the President



As SC Women of the ELCA, we are a community of women, called to discipleship in Jesus Christ. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, and as a response to God' love and grace, we act boldly on our faith, as we engage in ministry and action. We strive to grow our relationships with God and grow our relationship with each other so that we can be God's voice, hands, and feet here on earth.

When I reflect on the paragraph above, I feel full of emotions but, more so I feel proud to be a small part of what we achieve as Lutheran Women in South Carolina.

I am humbled by your love and generosity for our Lord God, each other, and our organization. I thank each of you for your confidence in me to lead our organization into a future that is unknown. We are indeed being the voice, hands, and feet for God on earth. Let me share some of the ways you have been part of God's plan for SC Women of the ELCA.

You adopted a resolution to help prevent teen suicide that was also adopted at our 2023 National Women of the ELCA Triennial Convention. Therefore, sixty-four synodical women's organizations will advocate, educate and promote awareness on the crisis of teen suicide here in the United States and the devastating increase of teen deaths, attempts, and mental illness over the past 10 years.

You have supported our initiative to help fund the She Shed Project in Tanzania, The Fifth Gospel Foundation, and in-kind gifts for the non-profit organization Neighbors together in Charleston SC.

In 2023 SC WELCA donated \$41,400.00 to worthy charities. This includes charities in our local communities, as well as state and national charities. We achieved this by your unit offerings, conference offering and Synod offerings.

2023 SC WELCA Projects and Donations

- Camp Kinard Improvement Project: \$10,607.46 was raised for a new fence around the new pool at Camp Kinard Retreat Center.
- Tanzania Hygiene Kits: 1069 hygiene kits were created and delivered to the Convention from all units in the SC WELCA.
- Tanzania Project: \$1740.50 to help with shipping the hygiene kits.
- ELCA Good Gifts: \$6882.92
- Newberry College Wolfe Food Pantry: \$1000
- National Women of the ELCA: \$13,204
- South Carolina Disaster Relief: \$200
- Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary: \$619.76
- Conference Gathering Offerings: \$4223.90 were disbursed to many charities (Newberry College Nursing Scholarship, CASA Family System, Salt & Light, Lutheran World Relief, The Palmetto Place, LaVie Pregnancy Care, Falcon's Children's Home, Fresh Start Healing, Sunshine over Sorrow, SC Synod, Jasmine Road, Luther Theological Southern Seminary, The Period Project, The Fifth Gospel, and Gamecock Lutheran Campus Ministry)
- Other Designated Gifts: \$1920.75

In closing I personally thank all Leaders in our organization from our amazing Board Members, Conference Officers, and Unit Officers and of course every person who helps make our organization such a unique mission organization that loves God, loves our Neighbors as ourselves and who loves and supports our organization.

We are better Together!!

Together in Christ.

Risse Snelgrove

President, SC Women of the ELCA

Report of the Vice President



The past year serving as your interim vice president has been an honor. Serving the ladies of SC while working alongside a hard-working board has been a pleasure. Over the past few months my duties have included planning our 2024 convention, meetings with convention staff, attending board meetings, and attending conference meetings. The convention staff has been working tirelessly to plan our convention. I hope you all enjoy this time of fellowship and renewal!

I would like to thank the Amelia, Coastal, and Epiphany conferences for hosting. Special thanks to our co-chair, Joy Derrick, for her dedication and hard work! She, along with several ladies of the Amelia, Coastal, and Epiphany conferences, have made this convention possible!! Too many names to list and I do not want to leave anyone out, but here is a BIG THANK YOU to everyone who had a hand in preparing for this weekend! It takes a team to make this happen.

Our theme of “Just Love” was not chosen lightly. This theme can be very broad and our Chaplin, Pastor Rebecca, has helped us fine tune it. Our scripture “We love because he first loved us..” 1 John 4:19, has reminded us that because Jesus first loved us we are to go forth and extend His love and our love to others. I hope you will be able to take something back from convention to your church and communities and really extend His love to others.

Thank you for supporting your board and continuing to be involved with the Women of the ELCA! Our SC Women love big and I am proud to represent you! I am proud of the projects we support and everything we have accomplished!

Blessings to you and proud to be part of the Women of the ELCA!

Christie Gardner

Report of the Secretary

Greetings to my Sisters in Christ!

It is hard to believe that we are just a few weeks away from our 2024 convention and my second year as Secretary will be completed. Again, I must admit that I did not have an appreciation for the position until I did complete my first year and this second year. My many thanks and gratitude to each of my Sisters in Christ on the Board who answer my questions and at times numerous emails.



My duties include recording the minutes of our Board meetings, transcribing them and providing a copy for approval. The minutes are posted on our Google Docs site for archiving. These approved minutes are then sent to the Church Wide Organization. A summary of the Board meeting business is provided in our subsequent issues of the RIPPLE. I am happy to do this as a means of communication to keep you informed on what is happening with the progress of our organization. I also keep up with the Congregation and Conference positions along with the respective meeting reports.

I have once again been engaged in the eye-opening experience of correlating the Bulletin of Reports for the convention. It does give me an opportunity to keep up with the computer skills I have gained over the years and to make the document simpler to correlate in the coming years. Again, I have an appreciation for how well organized WELCA is and how important it is to provide our members across our state with a comprehensive and detailed document that leads to the success of our convention.

If you have the opportunity, please thank Christie Gardner, Joy Derrick and their committee members for the tireless efforts they put forth to provide the convention for us. They have done an impressive job!

I look forward to seeing old friends, making new friends, and making pleasant memories. Thank you for this privilege and for the honor to serve as your Board Secretary!

Peace and Blessings to you All!
Shari Donley, Secretary, SCWELCA

Report of the Treasurer



The financial reports for the past fiscal year February 1, 2023, through January 31, 2024, are included in this Bulletin of Reports (BOR). All the FY 2023-2024 financial records were inspected by the Accounting Review Committee on April 7, 2024, in accordance with the Women of the ELCA Constitution. Their review letter is included in this BOR.

Regular Offering receipts were 86% of the Regular Offering budget for 2023-2024. Joy Offerings exceeded the budget by 32% and Convention offerings were 38% of the budget. However, revenue for the convention projects for Camp Kinard and Tanzania were double the budgeted amounts. Thank you for your support of these projects!

Budgeted expenses included 60% of Regular Offerings which were sent to Churchwide WELCA. All the Joy Offerings were sent to ELCA Good Gifts, and all of the Designated Gifts were sent as designated by the donors. All budgeted expenses were within budget limits except for an excess of \$50 for Mission areas.

The Proposed Budget for the fiscal year February 1, 2025, through January 31, 2026, included in this BOR, was approved by the Board on May 4, 2024, and will be presented for adoption at this convention. The Finance Committee looked at the trends over the last 5 years for each line item and adjusted for the future accordingly. The total Proposed Budget is \$3,000 greater than the current budget.

Thank you for your support of the work of SC WELCA through our various local and global projects to those in need. Thank you to Virginia Herlong for her work as the SC WELCA treasurer the last 2 years. God's blessings to each of you and may we continue to be a blessing to others!

Together in Christ,

Ann Rachel Quesada

Treasurer, SC WELCA

Accounting Review 2024



South Carolina Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

April 7, 2024

To: The Officers of the South Carolina Women of the ELCA

This accounting review is in accordance with the Women of the ELCA Constitution, revised November 2017. An annual accounting review is to be conducted at the end of each fiscal year. A committee appointed by the Board of the South Carolina Synodical Women's Organization shall consist of members, none of whom are members of the current board, or of the congregational unit of the treasurer for the fiscal year under review. The Synodical Board appointed the undersigned as the Accounting Review Committee for the Fiscal Year 2023-2024.

This letter is to advise that we have reviewed the financial records for the SC Women of the ELCA beginning February 1, 2023, through January 31, 2024. All of the financial policies set forth in the Standing Rules of the SC Women of the ELCA have been followed. Each expense was approved by a member of the Synodical Board and co-signed by the President.

Our review consisted of reconciling cash and checks received with deposits recorded in the bank statement and verifying that expense vouchers paid with check were recorded in the check register. The bank account statements were reconciled monthly with the check register and reviewed by the Board President. Complete detailed financial statements were submitted to the Synodical Board at each meeting. The review indicated that the books and records of the organization were maintained in a professional detailed manner.

Sincerely,

Jane Potter
Audit Committee Chair

Diane Richardson
Committee Member

South Carolina Women of the ELCA
Financial Summary
FY 2023-2024 ending January 31, 2024

2/1/2023	Beginning Bank Balance -----	\$	7,349.49
8/9/2023	Withdrawal from matured CD	\$	5,000.00
	Revenue to date	\$	65,359.08
	Disbursements to date	\$	(68,192.69)

1/31/2024	Ending Bank Balance	\$	<u>9,515.88</u>
 Restricted Funds:			
	Conference Account	\$	1,777.30
	Katie's Fund Grant	\$	382.98

	Total Restricted Funds	\$	2,160.28
	Other Outstanding Payments	\$	(883.00)

1/31/2024	Cash Available -----	\$	<u><u>6,472.60</u></u>

MISSION INVESTMENT FUNDS

January 31, 2024

1-yr Mission Investment Fund CD ...4281 \$10,000.00 (*matures 8/3/24*)
Interest is paid quarterly and applied as revenue

2-yr Mission Investment Fund CD ...0726 \$30,630.71 (*matures 7/3/24*)
Interest is paid quarterly and applied to the SC WELCA-LTSS Scholarship Fund

**South Carolina Women of the ELCA
Revenue and Disbursements
FY 2023-2024 ending January 31, 2024**

	ACTUAL YTD		BUDGET FY 2023-2024
2/1/2023	Beginning Bank Balance -----	\$ 7,349.49	
8/9/2023	Withdrawal from matured CD	\$ 5,000.00	
REVENUE			
Budgeted			
Regular CU Offering	\$ 21,525.84		\$ 25,000.00
Joy Offering	\$ 6,882.92		\$ 5,000.00
CWO Designated Gifts	\$ 289.00		\$ 500.00
Convention Offering	\$ 1,898.00		\$ 5,000.00
Convention Income	\$ 11,519.24		\$ 12,000.00
Convention Project - Camp Kinard	\$ 10,607.46		\$ 6,000.00
Convention Project - Tanzania	\$ 1,742.50		
RIPPLE Subscriptions	\$ 391.00		\$ 250.00
Interest Income from MIF CD ...4281	\$ 196.91		\$ 250.00
Total Budgeted Receipts	\$ 55,052.87		\$ 54,000.00
Non-Budgeted			
Triennial Gathering	\$ -		
Conference Receipts	\$ 3,878.00		
SC WELCA-LTSS Scholarship	\$ 305.08		
Life Memberships	\$ 907.38		
SC WELCA Retreats	\$ 2,295.00		
Katie's Fund Grant	\$ 1,000.00		
Other Special Offerings	\$ 1,920.75		
Total Non-Budgeted Receipts	\$ 10,306.21		
TOTAL YTD REVENUE	\$ 65,359.08	\$ 65,359.08	
DISBURSEMENTS			
Budgeted			
Women of the ELCA	\$ 12,915.50	60%	\$ 15,000.00 60%
ELCA Good Gifts	\$ 6,882.92	100%	\$ 5,000.00 100%
CWO Designated Gifts	\$ 289.00	100%	\$ 500.00 100%
Convention Expense	\$ 13,517.59		\$ 14,500.00
Convention Project - Camp Kinard	\$ 10,607.46		
Convention Project - Tanzania	\$ 1,742.50		\$ 8,500.00
RIPPLE Publication	\$ 2,009.11		\$ 2,000.00
Triennial Gathering Incentive	\$ -		\$ 1,000.00
Benevolence	\$ 3,000.00		\$ 3,000.00
Mission: Action	\$ 742.90		\$ 800.00
Mission: Community	\$ 903.80		\$ 800.00
Mission: Growth	\$ 1,002.88		\$ 1,000.00
Conference of Presidents	\$ 500.00		\$ 500.00
Board Expense	\$ 977.11		\$ 1,000.00
Finance & Stewardship	\$ 460.97		\$ 400.00
Total Budgeted Disbursements	\$ 55,551.74		\$ 54,000.00
Non-Budgeted			
Triennial Gathering	\$ 2,400.00		
Conference Disbursements	\$ 4,223.90		
SC WELCA-LTSS Scholarship	\$ 619.76		
Life Memberships	\$ 592.70		
SC WELCA Retreats	\$ 2,266.82		
Katie's Fund Grant	\$ 617.02		
Other Special Offerings	\$ 1,920.75	100%	
Total Non-Budgeted Disbursements	\$ 12,640.95		
TOTAL YTD DISBURSEMENTS	\$ 68,192.69		\$ (68,192.69)
1/31/2024	Ending Bank Balance -----	\$ 9,515.88	

South Carolina Women of the ELCA
Conference Financial Statement
FY 2023-2024 ending January 31, 2024

	Beginning Balance	Revenue	Disbursements	Ending Balance
1 - Foothills	\$ 245.15	\$ 1,627.00	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 272.15
2 - Upstate	\$ 84.00	\$ -	\$ 84.00	\$ -
3 - Epiphany	\$ 400.07	\$ 231.00	\$ 431.00	\$ 200.07
4 - Amelia	\$ 300.30	\$ 370.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 270.30
5 - Heartland	\$ 660.61	\$ 646.00	\$ 608.90	\$ 697.71
6 - Midlands	\$ 61.00	\$ 65.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 26.00
7 - Coastal	\$ 28.73	\$ 198.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 26.73
8 - Saxe Gotha	\$ 55.08	\$ 290.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 145.08
9 - Western	\$ 288.26	\$ 451.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 139.26
Conference Totals	<u>\$ 2,123.20</u>	<u>\$ 3,878.00</u>	<u>\$ 4,223.90</u>	<u>\$ 1,777.30</u>

**South Carolina Women of the ELCA
Congregational Unit Offerings
FY 2023-2024 ending January 31, 2024**

		Regular	Joy Offering	Designated	RECAP of Designated					Description Other
					Convention Offering	Convention Camp	Convention Kinard	Convention Tanzania	Other	
1 - Foothills	Faith, Pickens	\$ 68.51	\$ 150.00	\$ 25.00						
	Holy Trinity, Anderson	\$ 500.00	\$ 83.25	\$ 150.00	150.00		25.00			
	Immanuel, Greenwood	\$ 800.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 250.00	50.00		200.00			
	Messiah, Mauldin	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -						
	St. John, Walhalla	\$ 300.00	\$ 570.80	\$ 10.00			10.00			
	St. Matthias, Easley	\$ 80.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00					500.00	LDR
	St. Michael, Greenville University, Clemson	\$ 1,173.60	\$ -	\$ 75.00			75.00			
		\$ -	\$ 83.00	\$ 300.00			300.00			
2 - UPSTATE	Joy, Moore	\$ 451.00	\$ -	\$ -						
	Reformation, Lancaster	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -						
	St. John, Spartanburg	\$ 324.00	\$ -	\$ 1,407.50	100.00		150.00	1,157.50		
3 - EPIPHANY	Cross and Crown, Florence	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 32.26				32.26		
	Shepherd of the Sea, Garden C	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ -						
	St. James, Sumter	\$ 9.00	\$ -	\$ 20.00				20.00		
	St. Luke, Florence	\$ 217.75	\$ 217.75	\$ 300.00				300.00		
	St. Peter, Pawleys Island	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ -						
	St. Philip, Myrtle Beach	\$ 273.75	\$ 50.00	\$ 150.00	50.00		100.00			
4 - AMELIA	Ehrhardt Parish	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -						
	Good Shepherd, Walterboro	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ 350.00				250.00	100.00	
	Hope, Vance	\$ -	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00					75.00	
	Lord of Life, Bluffton	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 150.00				150.00		
	Pine Grove, Lone Star	\$ 315.00	\$ 275.00	\$ 450.00	50.00		400.00			
	St. Matthew, Cameron	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00	50.00		50.00			
	St. Nicholas/Fairfax Parish	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -						
5 - HEARTLAND	Bethel, White Rock	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 400.00			100.00	100.00	200.00	NC Nsg Sch & Pantry
	Bethlehem, Pomaria	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -						
	Colony, Newberry	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 289.00					289.00	Thankoffering
	LC of the Redeemer, Newberry	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ 550.00			550.00			
	Macedonia, Prosperity	\$ 700.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 125.00	50.00		75.00			
	Mt. Horeb, Chapin	\$ 280.80	\$ -	\$ 1,108.20	50.00		918.20	140.00		
	Mt. Olivet, Chapin	\$ 200.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 150.00	50.00		100.00			
	Mt. Tabor, Little Mountain	\$ 420.55	\$ 181.00	\$ 100.00	25.00		75.00			
	Pomaria, Pomaria	\$ 420.40	\$ -	\$ 310.00	10.00		300.00			
	Silverstreet, Silverstreet	\$ 272.40	\$ 27.00	\$ 606.00	100.00		500.00		6.00	NC Women's League
	St. James, Newberry	\$ 280.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 500.00	100.00		400.00			
	St. John, Irmo	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50.00	50.00					
	St. John, Pomaria	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 200.00						
	St. Luke, Prosperity	\$ 500.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 400.00			400.00			
	St. Matthew, Pomaria	\$ 25.00	\$ -	\$ -						
	St. Philip, Newberry	\$ 300.00	\$ 188.00	\$ 150.00	50.00		100.00			
St. Thomas, Chapin	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ -							
Summer Memorial, Newberry	\$ 600.00	\$ -	\$ 30.00					30.00	Heartland Conference	
6 - MIDLANDS	Bethlehem, Irmo	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -						
	Christus Victor, Columbia	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -						
	Ebenezer, Columbia	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 300.00	50.00		250.00			
	Good Shepherd, Columbia	\$ 400.00	\$ 882.82	\$ -						
	Living Springs, Columbia	\$ 100.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 100.00			100.00			
	Redeemer, Columbia	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ 50.00	10.00		20.00	20.00		
	St. Andrew's, Columbia	\$ 450.78	\$ 84.00	\$ 200.00			200.00			
	St. Paul, Columbia	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 50.00	50.00					
	St. Timothy, Camden	\$ 200.00	\$ 225.00	\$ 100.00			100.00			
7 - COASTAL	Messiah, Hanahan	\$ 75.00	\$ 25.00	\$ -						
	St. John's, Charleston	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -						
	St. Luke, Summerville	\$ 405.96	\$ -	\$ -						
	St. Mark, Isle of Palms	\$ 150.00	\$ 60.00	\$ -						
	St. Matthew's, Charleston	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -						
	Christ Community, N Charlest	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -						
		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -						
8 - SAXE GOTHA	Emmanuel, West Columbia	\$ 800.00	\$ 285.53	\$ 75.00	50.00		25.00			
	Faith, West Columbia	\$ 100.25	\$ 73.77	\$ -						
	Mt. Tabor, West Columbia	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ -						
	Our Saviour, West Columbia	\$ 300.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 200.00	50.00		150.00			
	Pilgrim, Lexington	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -						
	Providence, Lexington	\$ 120.00	\$ -	\$ -						
	Sandy Run, Swansea	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ 10.00	10.00					
	St. David, West Columbia	\$ 1,737.79	\$ 295.00	\$ 100.00			100.00			
	St. Matthew, Lexington	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -						
	St. Stephen's, Lexington	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 472.00	\$ 600.00	300.00		300.00			
	Transfiguration, Cayce	\$ 50.00	\$ 126.00	\$ 975.00			975.00			
9 - WESTERN	Cedar Grove, Leesville	\$ 340.80	\$ 100.00	\$ 300.00	100.00		200.00			
	Faith, Batesburg	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -						
	Grace, Gilbert	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ -						
	Mt. Calvary, Johnston	\$ 300.00	\$ 76.00	\$ 225.00	25.00		200.00			
	St. James, Graniteville	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -						
	St. James, Leesville	\$ 157.00	\$ 42.00	\$ 200.00	100.00		100.00			
	St. Mark, Prosperity	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ 50.00	50.00					
	St. Paul, Aiken	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500.00			500.00			
	St. Paul, Gilbert	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,457.00			1,457.00			
	St. Peter, Batesburg	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -						
	Union, Leesville	\$ 400.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 400.00	50.00		250.00	100.00		
	Wittenberg, Leesville	\$ 76.50	\$ -	\$ 264.75			100.00	50.00	114.75	Domestic Disaster
FY 2023-2024 YTD TOTAL	\$ 21,525.84	\$ 6,672.92	\$ 15,469.71	1,780.00	10,607.46	1,742.50				

**South Carolina Women of the ELCA
5-Year Comparative Financial Statements**

	2019-2020		2020-2021		2021-2022		2022-2023		2023-2024	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
Beginning Balance	\$32,224.73		\$28,164.13		\$ 15,510.77		\$14,210.84		\$ 7,349.49	
Matured CD Withdrawal									\$ 5,000.00	
<u>Income/Receipts</u>										
<i>Budgeted</i>										
Regular Offerings	\$25,688.51	\$ 32,000	\$17,783.26	\$ 30,000	\$ 18,956.04	\$ 28,000	\$21,486.64	\$ 25,000	\$21,525.84	\$ 25,000
Joy Offering	\$10,362.52	\$ 10,000	\$ 4,009.82	\$ 10,000	\$ 5,772.08	\$ 10,000	\$ 6,636.60	\$ 5,000	\$ 6,882.92	\$ 5,000
CWO Designated Gifts	\$ 545.99	\$ 1,500	\$ 564.41	\$ 1,000	\$ 361.50	\$ 700	\$ 364.50	\$ 700	\$ 289.00	\$ 500
Convention Offering	\$ 5,237.43	\$ 5,000	\$ 510.00	\$ 5,000	\$ 3,020.38	\$ 5,000	\$ 2,722.00	\$ 5,000	\$ 1,898.00	\$ 5,000
Convention Income	\$10,423.00	\$ 12,000	\$ 847.00	\$ 12,000	\$ 2,575.00	\$ 12,000	\$15,249.33	\$ 12,000	\$11,519.24	\$ 12,000
Convention Project	\$ 7,182.37	\$ 6,000	\$ 3,447.75	\$ 6,000	\$ 5,347.33	\$ 6,000	\$27,141.02	\$ 6,000	\$12,349.96	\$ 6,000
Ripple Subscriptions	\$ 364.00	\$ 600	\$ 196.00	\$ 600	\$ 105.00	\$ 500	\$ 294.00	\$ 500	\$ 391.00	\$ 250
Interest Income	\$ 249.74	\$ 200	\$ 335.46	\$ 200	\$ 274.68	\$ 300	\$ 72.70	\$ 300	\$ 196.91	\$ 250
Total Budgeted	\$60,053.56	\$ 67,300	\$27,693.70	\$ 64,800	\$ 36,412.01	\$ 62,500	\$73,966.79	\$ 54,500	\$55,052.87	\$ 54,000
<i>Non-Budgeted</i>										
Triennial Incentive/Travel	\$ -		\$ 200.00		\$ 1,000.00		\$ -		\$ -	
Conference Receipts	\$ 3,980.25		\$ 128.25		\$ 646.00		\$ 2,241.29		\$ 3,878.00	
SC WELCA-LTSS Scholarship	\$ 1,383.64		\$ 886.06		\$ 933.64		\$ 618.68		\$ 305.08	
Life Memberships	\$ 650.00		\$ 475.00		\$ 479.00		\$ 667.00		\$ 907.38	
Camp Kinard Retreat	\$ 1,540.00		\$ -		\$ 720.00		\$ 2,365.00		\$ 2,295.00	
Fund Raisers	\$ -		\$ -		\$ -		\$ -		\$ 1,000.00	
Other Special Offerings	\$ 1,573.70		\$ 1,800.00		\$ 374.00		\$ 837.00		\$ 1,920.75	
Total Non-Budgeted	\$ 9,127.59		\$ 3,489.31		\$ 4,152.64		\$ 6,728.97		\$10,306.21	
Total Income/Receipts	\$69,181.15	\$ 67,300	\$31,183.01	\$ 64,800	\$ 40,564.65		\$80,695.76		\$65,359.08	
<u>Expense/Disbursements</u>										
<i>Budgeted</i>										
Women of the ELCA	\$16,697.53	\$ 20,800	\$11,559.12	\$ 19,500	\$ 12,321.43	\$ 18,200	\$13,966.31	\$ 16,250	\$12,915.50	\$ 15,000
ELCA Good Gifts	\$10,362.52	\$ 10,000	\$ 4,009.82	\$ 10,000	\$ 5,772.08	\$ 10,000	\$ 6,636.60	\$ 5,000	\$ 6,882.92	\$ 5,000
CWO Designated Gifts	\$ 545.99	\$ 1,500	\$ 564.41	\$ 1,000	\$ 361.50	\$ 700	\$ 364.50	\$ 700	\$ 289.00	\$ 500
Convention Expense	\$14,910.46	\$ 14,500	\$ 945.08	\$ 14,500	\$ 4,121.02	\$ 14,500	\$21,039.52	\$ 14,500	\$13,517.59	\$ 14,500
Convention Project	\$ 9,801.09	\$ 8,500	\$ 2,471.75	\$ 8,500	\$ 7,663.53	\$ 8,500	\$29,548.52	\$ 8,500	\$12,349.96	\$ 8,500
Ripple Publication	\$ 2,752.01	\$ 3,000	\$ 1,287.09	\$ 3,000	\$ 1,388.13	\$ 2,800	\$ 1,751.14	\$ 2,200	\$ 2,009.11	\$ 2,000
Triennial Incentive/Travel	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 1,300	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ 1,000
Benevolence	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000
Mission Action	\$ 424.49	\$ 600	\$ -	\$ 600	\$ 600.00	\$ 600	\$ 451.55	\$ 500	\$ 742.90	\$ 800
Mission Community	\$ 567.83	\$ 600	\$ -	\$ 600	\$ 600.00	\$ 600	\$ 501.73	\$ 600	\$ 903.80	\$ 800
Mission Growth	\$ 200.00	\$ 600	\$ 65.76	\$ 600	\$ 600.00	\$ 600	\$ 326.81	\$ 600	\$ 1,002.88	\$ 1,000
Conference of Presidents			\$ 500.00	\$ 500	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ 600.00	\$ 600	\$ 500.00	\$ 500
Board Expense	\$ 645.50	\$ 1,400	\$ 150.30	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,150.81	\$ 800	\$ 555.95	\$ 500	\$ 977.11	\$ 1,000
Finance and Stewardship	\$ 441.59	\$ 1,000	\$ 209.05	\$ 1,000	\$ 381.12	\$ 700	\$ 653.97	\$ 550	\$ 460.97	\$ 400
Total Budgeted	\$62,649.01	\$ 67,300	\$25,762.38	\$ 64,800	\$ 38,959.62	\$ 62,500	\$79,396.60	\$ 54,500	\$55,551.74	\$ 54,000
<i>Non-Budgeted</i>										
Triennial Convention	\$ 1,300.00		\$ -				\$ -		\$ 2,400.00	
Conference Expense	\$ 4,095.27		\$ 100.00		\$ 500.00		\$ 2,460.52		\$ 4,223.90	
SC WELCA-LTSS Scholarship	\$ 2,007.96		\$ 1,337.36		\$ 1,400.14		\$ 618.68		\$ 619.76	
Life Memberships	\$ 25.68		\$ 23.70		\$ 12.50		\$ 667.00		\$ 592.70	
Camp Kinard Retreat	\$ 2,018.40		\$ 253.22		\$ 618.32		\$ 2,873.31		\$ 2,266.82	
Fund Raisers			\$ 809.71				\$ 704.00		\$ 617.02	
Other Special Offerings	\$ 1,145.43		\$ 550.00		\$ 374.00		\$ 837.00		\$ 1,920.75	
Total Non-Budgeted	\$10,592.74		\$ 3,073.99		\$ 2,904.96		\$ 8,160.51		\$12,640.95	
Total Disbursements	\$73,241.75	\$ 67,300	\$28,836.37	\$ 64,800	\$ 41,864.58		\$87,557.11		\$68,192.69	
Ending Balance	\$28,164.13		\$30,510.77		\$14,210.84		\$7,349.49		\$ 9,515.88	

South Carolina Women of the ELCA

Current and Proposed Budgets

	Current Budget 2/2024 to 1/2025		Proposed Budget 2/2025 to 1/2026
Income/Receipts			
Regular CU Offering	\$ 23,500.00		\$ 23,500.00
Joy Offering	\$ 5,000.00		\$ 6,000.00
CWO Designated Gifts	\$ 500.00		\$ 500.00
Convention Offering	\$ 5,000.00		\$ 3,000.00
Convention Income	\$ 12,000.00		\$ 12,000.00
Convention Project	\$ 6,000.00		\$ 10,000.00
RIPPLE Subscriptions	\$ 400.00		\$ 400.00
Interest Income from MIF CD ...4281	\$ 100.00		\$ 100.00
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Total Income/Receipts	\$ 52,500.00		\$ 55,500.00
Expense/Disbursements			
<u>Churchwide Programs</u>			
Women of the ELCA	\$ 14,100.00	60%	\$ 11,750.00 50%
ELCA Good Gifts	\$ 5,000.00	100%	\$ 6,000.00 100%
CWO Designated Gifts	\$ 500.00	100%	\$ 500.00 100%
<u>Synodical Programs</u>			
Convention Expense	\$ 14,500.00		\$ 14,850.00
Convention Projects	\$ 8,500.00		\$ 11,500.00
RIPPLE Publication	\$ 2,000.00		\$ 2,800.00
Triennial Gathering Incentive	\$ 1,000.00		\$ 1,000.00
Benevolence	\$ 3,000.00		\$ 1,500.00
Mission: Action	\$ 800.00		\$ 1,000.00
Mission: Community	\$ 800.00		\$ 1,000.00
Mission: Growth	\$ 800.00		\$ 1,000.00
Conference of Presidents	\$ -		\$ -
Board Expense	\$ 1,000.00		\$ 2,000.00
Finance & Stewardship	\$ 500.00		\$ 600.00
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Total Expense/Disbursements	\$ 52,500.00		\$ 55,500.00

Mission: Growth Committee Report

But grow in grace, and in knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. (2 Peter 3: 18)

The Mission Growth Committee goals for 2023-2024 were developed. They are as followed:

1. Continue providing information about Bible Studies, prayers, music, etc. on the website.
2. Emphasize the publication and training of the new updated handbook (look for training opportunities in the near future from the board).
3. Create a database of inactive units so that we can reach out to them.

We sponsored two retreats this year, Camp Kinard & Isle of Palms. We are happy to add Isle of Palms. St Luke's in Florence has led this for over 30 years. We were excited to be asked to sponsor the retreat and continue as a wonderful annual event.

CAMP KINARD RETREAT (Feb. 16 & 17, 2024): Pegi Roberts with South Carolina Retreat Centers staff member as our guest speaker. The topic was "How do we know God is Listening?" Pegi led us on a wonderful journey and practice of prayer, meditation, and making prayer beads.

ISLE OF PALMS RETREAT (May 17 – 19, 2024): This year Pat George led the study of Noah's Ark titled, "**The Door to Salvation: Flood or Fire**". The study concentrated on Noah's genealogy, what led to the destruction of earth, and how our salvation is connected to Noah's.

Your Sisters in Christ,

Chair, Cindy McManus

Joy Derrick

Sallie Folk

Mission: Action Committee Report

Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ is Risen! We hope you had a wonderful Lenten/Easter season and are ready for Spring and to be renewed! We are reminded that in Matthew 9:22, “Jesus turned, and seeing her said, “Take heart, daughter, your faith has made you well.” So, daughters are we all and we will take heart that our faith will make as well, strong, and ready for action.

Our SC WELCA convention will soon be with us and our Action Team wants you and your fellow members/daughters to be planning for your gifts to our projects! We are excited about the opportunities to give our gifts to 3+ projects this year.

Our **global project** is to support the Tanzania women with their farming project. Ms. Cathy Milejczak is helping their local team members in Tanzania and other companies to provide needed equipment for their farming need. There is also a need for a “She Shed” to house the equipment and have it available to loan out to the women as they need the equipment. Our moneys that are collected will go to this project that will impact many families in Tanzania as they farm for needed wheat and other products. Please see Ms. Cathy’s additional article on page 9 for more details.

One of our **local projects** is to provide funds to add to **The Fifth Gospel Foundation**. This is a perpetual endowment established through the ELCA Foundation. Disbursements from the Foundation will be used to provide funding assistance primarily to SC Lutheran Seminary students and SC Lutheran Rostered Ministers assisting them to experience the Fifth Gospel firsthand. We hope to see the Foundation grow and also be able to assist Lutheran students at our other ELCA seminaries as well.

We are aware that travel to this area is still on hold at this time, but everyone is praying and hoping that the peace and love will come! War in this area has been going on since before Christ but there have been times of peace so we hope that peace will once again come to this area. As St Jerome stated “Five gospels record the life of Jesus. You will find in the fifth gospel the land they call Holy. Read the Fifth gospel and the world of the four will open to you”. So, with our gifts to the Fifth Gospel Foundation we will assist others to experience and “read” the Fifth Gospel. We have been assured that this endowment will continue even though there have been changes to our Southern Lutheran Seminary which will be merged and moved into the Lenoir-Rhyne University. If you have specific questions, please contact Sarah Cheesman or Pastor Bobby Morris (bobbymorris@outlook.com).

The other **local project** is to provide gifts that are needed by the “**Neighbors Together**” within the Low Country of SC since 1983. Their mission is to “bring a better quality of life to our neighbors through sharing resources, developing relationships and building a sustainable future”. There are many needs but the leadership of Neighbors Together has developed a “wish list” of much needed items! There needs have changed just as our needs change, so we have an **official updated list of their needs**:

1. Backpacks for school (all sizes), 2. Bars of soap, 3. Wash cloths, 4. Wet wipes

Please use the attached gift form and bring this form along with your gifts to convention. We are Bold Women of Christ, we are Daughter of Christ and we do make a difference in the lives of so many of God’s children by sharing our gifts to others in need.

Thanks in advance for your willingness to give and share! See you at convention!

Action Team - Sarah Cheesman, Chair Members: Meri Lewis, Christi Gardner

P.S. You may also continue to give to the Newberry Nursing Scholarship Foundation!

Mission: Community Committee Report

This past year our team has focused on using the results of the surveys we conducted last year. We had a great response from the women already involved in WELCA. We are continuing to follow up on the Resolution from the 2022 Convention asking us to find a way to grow our WELCA units. Using the results of our surveys from 2023, we could not see any particular solution that might work in all congregations. There is such a vast difference in the number of women, ages of women, talents of each, and community needs from congregation to congregation.

With that in mind, we created another survey meant to be a tool for each congregation to assess their individual needs. We are trying to get it out to all congregations, especially the ones who have not been active beyond the congregation level. We hope the tool will help address what day, time, frequency, and type of meeting will attract more women in that congregation to join in. It is available on our website if your congregation has not already seen it and used it.

Please let us know how it has or has not worked for you. It may need to be done every year for a time to open up new ideas and participation. Be open to new ideas and suggestions even if you are comfortable with your current structure. Our goal is to get women involved so we can increase our service to our church and communities. We can do so much more when we work together than we can on our own, even when “our own” is our congregation.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Roland
Diane Wicker
LaTynia Taylor

Definition of Ecclesiastical Ballot

In response to requests from synods for a definition of the ecclesiastical ballot and guidance on the use of such ballot, the Church Council adopted the following definition in 1994:

To define an “ecclesiastical ballot” for the election of a bishop in Synods of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America as an election process;

In which on the first ballot the name of any eligible individual may be submitted for nomination by a voting member of the assembly;

Through which the possibility of election of office exists on any ballot by achievement of the required number of votes cast by voting members of the assembly applicable to a particular ballot;

That precludes spoken floor nominations;

In which the first ballot is the nominating ballot if no election occurs on the first ballot;

In which the first ballot defines the total slate of nominees for possible election on a subsequent ballot, with no additional nominations permitted;

That does not preclude, after the reporting of the first ballot, the right of persons nominated to withdraw their names prior to the casting of the second ballot;

In which any name appearing on the second ballot may not be subsequently withdrawn;

That does not preclude an assembly’s adoption of rules that permit, at a defined point in the election process and for a defined period of time, speeches to the assembly by nominees or their representative and/or a question-and-answer forum in which the nominees or their representatives participate; and

In which the number of names that appear on any ballot subsequent to the second ballot shall be determined in accordance with provisions of the governing documents (or, if the governing documents are silent, in accordance with rules adopted by the assembly).

Ecclesiastical

Ballot

On the first ballot, the name of any eligible individual may be submitted for nomination by a voting member of the assembly.

POLICY AGAINST ELECTIONEERING FOR THE SYNODICAL WOMEN'S CONVENTION

This policy not only prohibits promoting one candidate over another in person, but also by email, telephone and on social media including Facebook, Twitter, and any other platform.

POLICY AGAINST ELECTIONEERING

There are a variety of gifts, but the same Spirit AND

There are a variety of services, but the same Lord AND

There are a variety of activities, but the same God who activates them in everyone.

Women of the ELCA affirms and believes all women should have equal opportunity for involvement and leadership in the organization.

Women of the ELCA further believes that the Spirit that binds us all through baptism is the guiding factor for each voting member to prayerfully review and consider each nominee's biographical information prior to the synodical women's conventions or churchwide Triennial Convention.

Each participant further understands that promoting one candidate over another through campaigning is in fact interfering with God's plan and actions for participants of Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

Adopted by the Churchwide Executive Board, October 2016.

Report of the Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee communicated via email, phone, and text. We established a plan of action and moved forward. In our search, we communicated via letters to conference leaders and unit presidents, attended conference meetings, reached out to former and current Board members for assistance, and made personal contact with ladies across the state. All candidates have gifts and talents to use to glorify God, and each is deserving of your consideration. Please prayerfully make your choices based on the nominee that you think can do the best job for our Synodical Women's Organization. Additional nominations may be made from the floor for all elections for which nominations have been made. In keeping with the guidelines of the SC WELCA constitution, the nominations are as follows:

<u>Nominee for Secretary</u>	<u>Congregation</u>	<u>Conference</u>
Shari Donley	Cross and Crown, Florence	Epiphany

Nominees for Synodical Board

Sarah Cheesman	Bethel, White Rock	Heartland
Cristina Guillermo	Holy Spirit, Charleston	Coastal
Cindy McManus	Faith, Batesburg;	Western
Cheryl Peters	Christ Community, N. Charleston	Coastal
Lisa Petty	Living Springs, Columbia;	Midlands
Dianne Pitts	Immanuel, Greenwood	Foothills
Trish Scott	St. Luke, Summerville	Coastal
Carolyn Watt	St. Matthias, Easley	Foothills

Nominating Committee
Becky Koch, Chair
Luanne Farish
Merri Lewis

NOMINEE BIOGRAPHIES

Biography Legend:

1. Experience with WELCA Congregational Unit
2. Experience with SC WELCA Conference, Synod, and Churchwide
3. Experience with ELCA Congregation, Conference, Synod, and Churchwide
4. Occupation
5. Other Comments
6. Age

Nominee Biography for Secretary

Shari Donley

Cross & Crown, Florence/Epiphany

1. Is the current secretary. Have served on the church council in all offer positions. Have served in all positions of Cross-n-Crown congregational unit. Currently very active in our unit.
2. Currently Fall coordinator for Epiphany Conference. Have served on all committee on state board.
3. Served on church council. Currently is the Treasurer & Financial Secretary for Cross-n-Crown.
4. Retired. Have an MBA degree and a professional certification of a Certified Professional in Health Information Management Systems (CPHims). Served on the State Board of professional organization in all officer positions. Served on state board for CPHims. Served on the state board around 2018.
5. Participate in service projects. Dedication and pride in work for our women.
6. 60 & over.



Nominee Biographies for Board Members

Sarah Cheesman

Bethel, Leesville/Heartland

1. Currently the Treasurer of Bethel WELCA and Rebecah Circle. Previously President of Bethel WELCA. Currently chair of the Heartland Conference and on the board of SC WELCA.
2. Previous SC WELCA board member and now currently serving a 1-year term. Have been Action Team chair both times I have been on the board. Previously chair of the Nominating Committee.
3. Have previously been a delegate to the SC Synod Assembly. Have been a delegate to the CWO Convention.
4. Previously certified in Nursing Staff Development organization and auditor for the ANCon Accreditation.
5. I'm organized, strong faith, and action oriented.
6. 60 and over.



Cristina Guillermo

Holy Spirit/Charleston

1. Although she has only been a Lutheran for three years, she is President of her church council. She is involved!
2. Has recently attended her first Coastal Conference meeting. After conferring with her fellow CU members, she volunteered to host the next Coastal Conference meeting.
3. The Holy Spirit CU has not been organized for a very long time, but she has been active in everything they do. Also is in the choir and handbells at Holy Spirit.
4. Plans to attend the 2024 SWO Convention and participate as a 'first timer'/'
5. Before becoming a Lutheran, she was executive assistant to the CFO of the Catholic Diocese of 5D – the only lay position there.
6. A member of several professional and civic organizations and participates in many community activities.
7. I am energetic, organized, tech savvy, and fully engaged in whatever I do.
8. 50 – 59.



Cindy McManus

Faith Lutheran/Batesburg

1. Previously an active member of Grace Gathering Circle at Memorial Lutheran, Glendale WE. Participated in many outreach programs and children's ministries.
2. Member of the Growth Mission Committee for SC WELCA. Current webmaster for the SC WELCA website. Current Editor/ Circulation Manager for SC WELCA newsletter, *The RIPPLE*. Also currently the Chair of the Growth Mission for SC WELCA. Served as coordinator of the Camp Kinard Retreat for the past 2 years.
3. Member of Keisler Circle, Bethlehem Lutheran. Former member of church council at Memorial, Glendale WI. Taught Sunday School and confirmation classes. Former member of The Greater Milwaukee Synod El Salvador Committee. Also worked as office manager for Lutheran Human Relations Association focusing on anti- racism workshops and seminars. Participated in several workshops. Voting Member for the 2023 Triennial in Phoenix AZ.
4. Semi-retired. Office manager for Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Irmo. Worked as the Christian Education Director and Office Manager at previous church in Wisconsin.
5. I love the Lord and doing my best to be a good example of a Christian. I am detailed oriented and dedicated to the lives of my children and grandchildren.
6. 60 and over.



Cheryl Peters**Christ Community/N. Charleston**

1. Cheryl is an excellent public speaker. She is well known in the community and in her profession.
2. She organized the location, food, and speaker for the March 16 Coastal Conference meeting.
3. Cheryl started the congregational unit at Christ community when it has not had one. She worked with SWO to adopt and adapt the constitution for their joint unit.
4. She also organized with another small church , St. Michael) for a Congregational unit (Two Rivers Parish). They alternate monthly meetings and benefit both churches. That happened during COVIS.
5. Cheryl worked with the Coastal Conference Coordinator since attending Two Rivers Parish's first conference meeting in 2023.
6. In her professional life, she served as President Charleston Chapter of the Medical Assistants and also, active at the state and national level of SC Society of Medical Assistants.
7. Cheryl is organized, tech savvy, and energetic.
8. 60 and over

Lisa Petty**Living Springs/Blythewood**

1. Leads a ministry team. Works with communications/social media/technology. Comes up with creative ways to share God's word and stories out. About to be a retreat speaker. Planning a retreat. Helps with a bible study, produces livestreams and podcasts.
2. Living Springs Lutheran congregational unit. Volunteer as assistant webmaster maintaining the SC WELCA website
3. Living Springs Lutheran, Blythewood and Living Waters Lutheran, Crystal Lake IL.
4. Very spiritual, dedicated to her faith, intelligent, and hardworking.
5. 50 – 59.

Dianne J. Pltts**Immanuel Lutheran/Greenwood**

1. Have held many positions at circle and unit levels. Co-Director of the Immanuel Sunday Soup Kitchen.
2. Served as "First Timer" Coordinator for several years. Participated in conference events.
3. Participated in many Synod-wide events.
4. Wide experience in humanitarian work. Instructor in both leadership and charitable work (Lions Clubs International). Served as a Board Director for a two-year term with Lions Clubs International.
5. Professional and personal experience, dedication to community, and religious service.
6. 60 and over.

Trish Scott

St. Lukes/Summerville

1. Previous teacher/ administrator for 36 years.
2. Elementary, administrative and teachers. Bible School study, and youth group speaker.
3. President of Tuesday Evening Circle. Member of Sunshine for 40+ years.
4. Delegate to conference, retreat leader and participant at another conference.
5. Delegate, Women's Sunday, lay leaders, stewardship, and various other committees. Bible School teacher.
6. DAR, Charleston Garden Club, Historical Dorchester Society. Graduate of Newberry College and The Citadel.
7. Lutheran pastor's daughter.
8. 60 and over



Carolyn Watts

St. Matthias/Easley

1. St. Matthias – served as Sunshine Coordinator (cards and communication with members). Participates in leading devotions.
2. Active in state and local WELCA for 20 years. Attended Camp Kinard retreat on Prayer. Attends Foothill Conferences.
3. Member of St. Matthias for 45 years. Past president of church council. Attended Synod as a church representative for 2-year.
4. Small business owner for 37 years (state licensed preschool). Taught public school for 9 years. Volunteer at The Dream Center, Easley. Volunteer at Soup kitchen/Shone. Volunteered at Piedmont Emergency Relief Center (food bank).
5. Have been active in WELCA for many years on both the local and state levels. Is forward thinking, has creative ideas, and works well with others.
6. 60 and over.



Balloting Results

Board.....1st Ballot.....2nd Ballot.....3rd Ballot

Sarah Cheesman	_____	_____	_____
Cristina Guillermo	_____	_____	_____
Cindy McManus	_____	_____	_____
Cheryl Peters	_____	_____	_____
Lisa Petty	_____	_____	_____
Dianne J. Pitts	_____	_____	_____
Trish Scott	_____	_____	_____
Carolyn Watts	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Report of Credentials

	Friday AM	Friday PM	Saturday AM	Saturday PM.
CU Voting Members				
Officers				
Board Members				
Voting Strength				Final
Visitors				
Young Women Guests				
First Timer Guests				
Other				
Total in Attendance				

Report of Offerings

Joy Offering \$ _____

Convention Offering \$ _____

Report of Convention Projects

Tanzania She Shed \$ _____

The Fifth Gospel Foundation \$ _____

Neighbors Together \$ _____

2023 – 2024 Conference Leaders

1 FOOTHILLS

SWO Board Liaison, Cindy McManus

Coordinator: Lena Jones

Secretary: Becky Koch

Financial Secretary: Sandie Wanto

2 UPSTATE

SWO Board Liaison, Risse Snelgrove

Coordinator: vacant

Secretary: vacant

Financial Secretary: vacant

3 EPIPHANY

SWO Board Liaison, Sallie Folk

Coordinator: Elsie Angus

Secretary: vacant

Financial Secretary: vacant

4 AMELIA

SWO Board Liaison, Diane Wicker

Coordinator: Joanne Perrin

Secretary: Cathy Deloach

Financial Secretary: Candace Fralix

5 HEARTLAND

SWO Board Liaison, Christie Gardner

Coordinator: Sarah Cheesman

Secretary: Janet Ballentine

Financial Secretary: Edith Hawkins

6 MIDLANDS

SWO Board Liaison, Merri Lewis

Coordinator: Christine Price

Secretary: Gaye Betcher

Financial Secretary: Bobbie Bell

7 COASTAL

SWO Board Liaison, Joy Derrick

Coordinator: Luanne Farish

Secretary: Louann Weidman

Financial Secretary: Betty Belekis

8 SAXE GOTHA

SWO Board Liaison, LaTynia Taylor

Coordinator: Ella Shumpert

Secretary: Kristie Marshall

Financial Secretary: Betty B. Enlow

9 WESTERN

SWO Board Liaison, Sarah Cheesman

Coordinator: Amanda Cruse

Secretary: Deborah Rhoden

Financial Secretary: Donna Fulmer

CONGREGATIONAL UNIT LEADERS BY CONFERENCE

Conference One, Foothills

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Glossary of Terms

Adopt – To choose or accept and put into effect by vote or consensus.

Approve – To confirm or formally sanction; to ratify.

Assembly – Term used by the ELCA for the gathering of voting members for decision-making or legislative functions.

Bylaw – A provision which relates to a specific practice or detail of the organizations' operation and ongoing responsibilities.

Churchwide – An inclusive ELCA designated term for the whole organization to acknowledge that the church extends beyond any one nation's borders.

Churchwide Executive Board – The group of board members and officers elected by the Triennial Convention for three-year terms who serve as the legislative authority between triennial conventions; the highest level of authority of the Women of the ELCA.

Churchwide Women's Organization (CWO) – The entire Women of the ELCA organization, manifested in the Triennial Convention and the Executive Board, which describe the staff and office that support the activities of the organization.

Circle/Group – A non-legislative group of women within a Congregational Unit, usually for the purpose of program activities, Bible study, fellowship, and personal growth, which meet regularly and support the purpose of the Women of the ELCA.

Conference – A non-legislative grouping of Units within the territory of the Synodical Organization for the purpose of fostering interdependent relationships among congregations.

Conference Offering – Received at each conference meeting. The conference determines where it will be applied.

Congregational Unit (CU) – The women's organization within a congregation which supports the mission of the Women of the ELCA.

Constitution – A legal document that outlines the name, purpose, authority, relationships, and financial structure of an organization.

Contact Person – A person selected in a congregation to receive and disperse information for the purpose of networking.

Convention – The gathering of voting members for decision-making or legislative functions within Women of the ELCA and the Synodical Women’s Organization.

Convention Offering – Given at the convention by the Congregational Units to help defray the cost of the convention.

ELCA – Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, a mainline Protestant Lutheran church headquartered in Chicago, Illinois, officially formed in 1988 by the merging of three Lutheran church bodies.

Expression – One of three legislative groups within the Women of the ELCA, which are: units, synodical women’s organizations, and the churchwide women’s organization.

Designated Gift – An offering which supports a specific ministry identified by the donor(s).

Gather – The magazine of the Women of the ELCA, formerly “Lutheran Women” magazine.

Honorarium – A payment in recognition of acts or professional services.

In Kind Gift – A tangible gift (not monetary) which is given to an agency or ministry through a gathering or convention.

Inter-congregational Unit – A community of women from two or more congregations who come together for study and action which support the mission of the Women of the ELCA.

Joy Offering – A special gratitude offering designated for the world-wide ministry of the ELCA. South Carolina WELCA sends all Joy Offering to the ELCA Good Gifts Program.

Member – A congregational, inter-congregational, or special unit of the Women of the ELCA. For individuals, see Participant definition.

Memorial – A statement which addresses a broad policy issue and presented to a legislative body for consideration; may be brought by a Congregational Unit to the Synodical Convention, or by the SWO to the Triennial Convention.

Participant – A woman who takes part in carrying out the mission of Women of the ELCA and supports its ministries. Not all women in an ELCA congregation are automatically participants in WELCA; only those who take part in carrying out the mission of the organization and support the ministries of WELCA are participants.

Policy – A statement of principles for action; a position that guides the decision-making and activities of an organization.

Quorum – The majority of members of a body that, when duly assembled, is legally competent to transact business.

Region – A geographic territory in the ELCA which includes several synods. South Carolina is in Region 9 and the SC synod code within Region 9 is C.

Regular Offering – A voluntary offering given at each circle/group meeting which is the primary source of support for the ongoing ministries of the unit, the synodical, and the churchwide women's organization.

Resolution – A proposal or request for consideration of a specific action by the legislative organization, usually with a narrower focus than a memorial. A resolution and a memorial may not be combined in one action.

Special Unit – A community of women who come together in a unique setting (such as on a college campus or within a retirement community) for study and action which supports the mission of the Women of the ELCA

Synodical Women's Organization (SWO) – The legislative and programmatic expression that assists congregational, inter-congregational and special units with its territory to fulfill the purpose of Women of the ELCA.

Taskforce – A temporary grouping of women for the purpose of accomplishing a definite objective, usually with a specific deadline, and reports its finding to a larger group or legislative body.

Thank offering – A gratitude offering sent on Form B to Churchwide Women of the ELCA for their program activities; used the same way as Regular Offering.

The Ripple – The newsletter publication of the South Carolina Women of the ELCA.

Triennial Convention – The highest legislative authority of the Women of the ELCA with elected voting members from each region in the US and Caribbean which meets every three years.

Triennial Gathering – Open to all women in the ELCA from each region in the US and Caribbean which meets immediately following the Triennial Convention.

Unit – A member of the Women of the ELCA, such as a Congregational Unit, an Inter-Congregational Unit, or a Special Unit.

Voting Member – An elected woman who has voting privileges on legislative matters at a synodical or triennial convention. The congregational unit elects voting members to a synodical convention. Voting members to a triennial convention are elected at the prior year's synodical convention.

Women of the ELCA (WELCA) – The shortened form for “Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America,” the legal name for the women’s organization of the ELCA, which is a separately incorporated ministry of the ELCA. A relational organization, a community of women living in relationships to God, one another, the church, the society, and the world.

Honorary Life & Memorial Recognition



Honorary Life

Honorary recognition may be made for a minimum donation of \$25 and is a way to pay tribute to a woman, man or young person in your congregation who is always there when needed and never finds an excuse to not help anyone in need, regardless of the situation. The application for Honorary Life Memberships has space for a citation (reason for recognition). This will be printed on the Honorary Certificate. The certificate and pin will be sent to the requestor for presentation.

Memorial

Memorial recognition may be made for a minimum donation of \$25 and is given in memory of a woman, man or young person who has passed on to the church triumphant and who had a positive impact on you or your church during their lifetime. The Memorial application has a space for a citation (reason for the memorial) if desired and printed on the certificate. The certificate will be mailed to the requestor for presentation.

All proceeds from the Honorary Life and Memorial Program go to our SC Women of the ELCA Scholarship Fund at the Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary/LRU.

Honorary Life _____

Memorial _____

RECIPIENT INFORMATION (please print)

First Name _____ Last Name _____ Presentation Date _____

PRESENTED BY _____

Church Name _____

City _____

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_____ Ready to Frame _____ Presentation Folder

SUBMITTED BY _____ Phone _____

Send Certificate/Pin to: _____

Address _____

Special Instructions _____

DONATION (minimum donation of \$25; make check payable to SC Women of the ELCA) Enclosed is a donation of \$_____
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