

Praise be to the Holy Father, Risen Savior, Creator and Sustainer of Life, the One True God!

We praise You for Your mighty works! We thank You for Your Word! Your Spirit lives in our hearts, You never leave us alone! Thank you for Your gift of grace and forgiveness.

Father, we come to You broken and ask for You to make us whole. We seek Your guidance in all aspects of our lives. Continue to knock on the doors of our hearts and let Your Holy Spirit fill us with joy and renew our hope.

There are many who are suffering Father and we ask Your intervention in all things. Heal the sick. Give hope to the dying. Renew the spirit of those who are depressed. Give strength and peace to all who sit bed side of loved ones ready to come home to You.

Fill us with Your everlasting joy! Let hope overflow through our hearts and into all those around us. Help us all be walking testimonies of faith in Christ Jesus, Our Lord and Risen Savior!

Father, please bless all members of the AD LWML and help us as we continue to do Your work. Go before us and prepare our hearts for service throughout our District and world. Help us to reach all women of the LCMS with the Good News of salvation in Jesus Christ. Give us opportunity to resurrect, restore, and rebuild broken bridges of communication between AD LWML and the women in our pews. Allow us to be better communicators as we explain the work and opportunities provided and done by the LWML.

Please heal those who are ill or suffering with chronic illnesses. Mend all broken relationships and hearts and restore them with joy. Help those who are struggling with addictions, financial hardships, and/or loss of employment and give them courage to stand firm on Your promises.

Father invade our churches with Your love and faithfulness. Watch over our Pastors, Deacons, Deaconesses, Elders, and all those who guide our churches and care for our congregations. Help our congregations to willingly respond to Your call on their lives. Help all our church members to care for their communities and help us all to spread the Gospel everywhere we go.

We are grateful that even before we ask, You respond.

Help us all to continually ASK, SEEK, AND KNOCK as we continue to live in faith.

Amen!

GRANT HIGHLIGHT OF THE MONTH



LUTHERAN SPECIAL EDUCATION MINISTRIES

4. New Beginnings for Children With Learning Needs

\$5,000

Lutheran Special Education Ministries (LSEM) has been blessed with incredible growth over the past two years. New Beginnings for children with learning needs will provide for the continuation of starting up new LSEM programs across the country. These programs allow children with learning needs to continue to learn in their Lutheran schools so that both their academic and spiritual need can be met. Grant funds will be used to purchase the necessary materials, tools and equipment for establishing a new LSEM program.

Mission Service Activity

Establish a “Pack the Pantry 5k” for Your Local Food Pantry



Did you know that hunger exists in literally every county in America? According to a study by Feeding America, one in seven Americans, 46 million people, rely on food pantries and meal service programs to feed themselves and their families nationwide. Twenty-five percent of military families need help putting food on the table. Food pantries rely on food donations to assist in meeting the need. Your society/church can establish a Pack the Pantry 5K race/walk for your community to assist the food pantry near you. The race/walk entry fee is either 25 cans of food or \$25.

Every day women and men are walking, jogging, and running to lead a healthier life. This 5K just gives their walk a greater purpose. It will help feed people in need.

Sharing Jesus' Love through Action

A Year's Work of Mission Service Activities

Nurturing Faith in Christ

Make a point to pray for specific missionaries and missions this month. Use the mission grant recipients from LWML and your district as a starting list. Add any missionaries supported by your congregation.



Making Our Faith Meaningful

Make a dinner for your child's teacher and family, or for any teacher who belongs to your church. Include a greeting card acknowledging their special ministry to children. EXTRA CREDIT: Bring and serve lunch or snacks for all the teachers at the school you adopted in May!

Sharing Encouragement

Invite friends over for coffee and prayer. Use LWML resources like Mustard Seed Devotions or other devotionals as the basis of your prayer time together. You can also ask everyone to bring a can of coffee as a donation to a shelter.

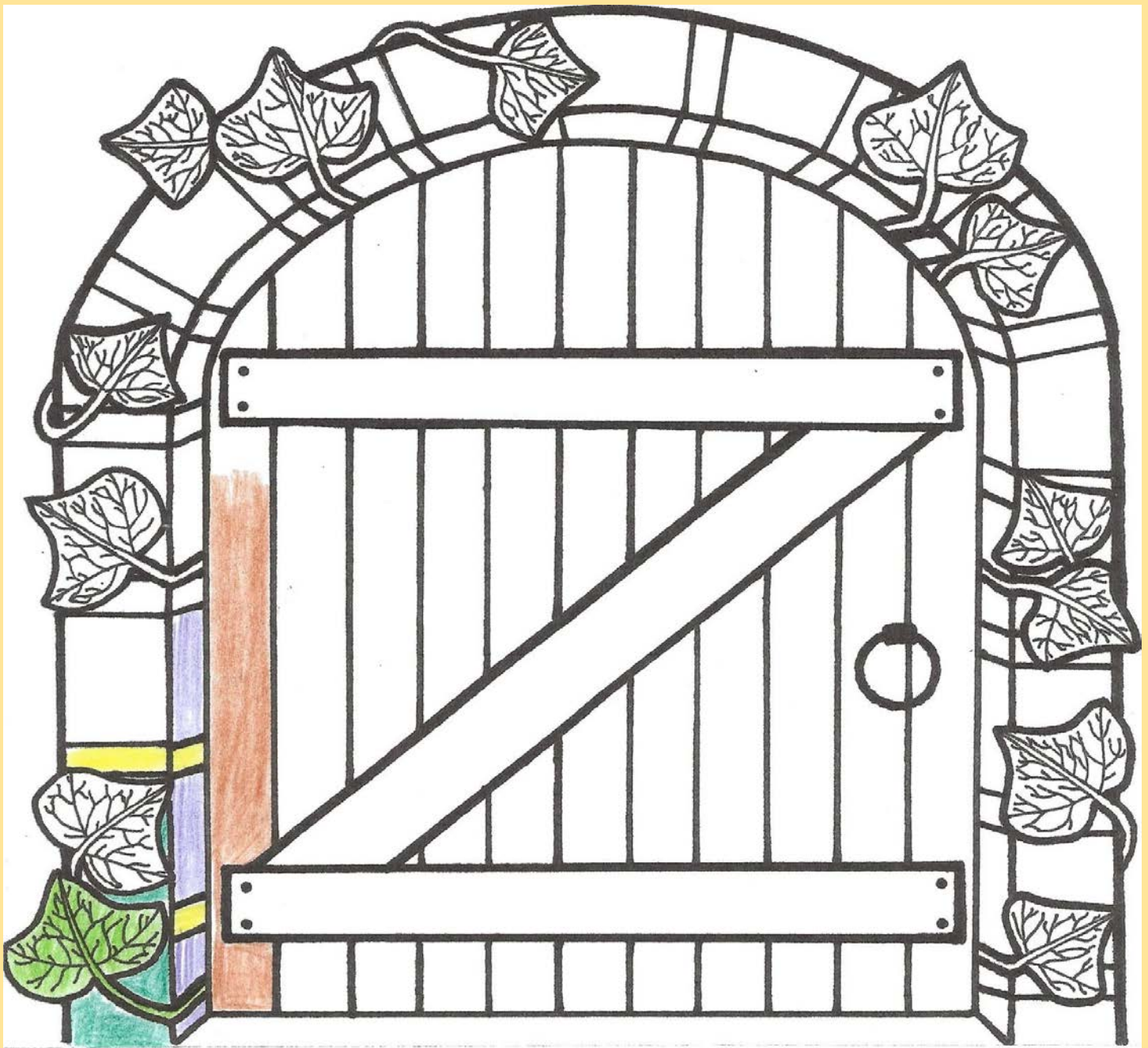
Thrivent Action Teams



A great way to fund Zone events, mission projects, or any of the suggested ideas above is with a Thrivent Action Team grant! If you are a member of Thrivent and with just a little bit of information, Thrivent may send you \$250 towards your event. Still not sure if you want to try it out? Just contact Anita Dykeman at adykeman13@gmail.com. She will be happy to assist you and walk you through the steps necessary for you to get your project going. And make sure you let the rest of AD LWML know about your event so we can come too!

ATLANTIC DISTRICT LWML MISSION GRANTS 2018-2020

1. St. Peters' Sunday School-Hitting the Streets for Jesus St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Brooklyn, NY 11208	\$4,000 PAID!
2. City Tots Fun Faith Group Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Bronx, NY	\$4,000
3. Spanish & American Sign Language Bible Stories Lutheran Friends of the Deaf, Mill Neck, NY 11765	\$5,000
4. New Beginnings for Children w/Learning Needs Lutheran Special Education Ministries, Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2211	\$5,000
5. Empowering Youth to Resist Self-Harm in an Age of Cyber-bullying & Internet Predators Lutheran Counseling Center, Mineola, NY 11501	\$5,000
6. King's Kids Christian Outreach Grace Lutheran Church, Mastic Beach, NY 11951	\$3,000
7. Lutheran Books for Missionaries Around the World Lutheran Heritage Foundation, Macomb, MI 48047	\$3,000
8. Food & Clothing Co-Op Concordia Theological Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, IN 46825	\$5,000
9. Lighthouse Mission Bellport, New York 11713	\$4,000
10. Quilts for Orphan Grain Train St. John's Lutheran Church, Staten Island, NY 10314	\$1,000
11. Camp Courage: A Place of Hope & Healing The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, St. Louis, MO 63122	\$4,000
12. B3-Bicycles, Bagels & Bibles-Community Outreach Fixed Gears Bike Shop, Mastic Beach, NY 11951	\$2,500
13. Evangelism/Reaching Out through Gospel Singing United Bengali Lutheran Church, Woodside, NY 11377	\$700



***Atlantic District LWML Mission Grants 2018-2020
Ask, and it shall be given to you;
Seek, and ye shall find;
Knock, and it shall be opened unto you. Matthew 7:7***

Designed by Elizabeth Mazer, this beautiful coloring page can be used as a visible gauge of where we are in our mite collections. One leaf can be colored for each paid Mission Grant. One slat on the door can be colored for every \$7,000 received. As of our last update, we have collected just over \$6,600 of our \$77,000 mission goal.

Please consider hosting a mite raising event today!

LEADERSHIP NEWS

Honey Pabst, VP Leader Development

Proverbs 3:5

“Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding”



Going to God in prayer and asking Him to send the Holy Spirit to guide you is THE best way to begin anything. This is why Proverbs is very meaningful to me as I write you.

Let's consider "clear communication" and how this can be imperative in your leadership role. There are two very important parts of communication.

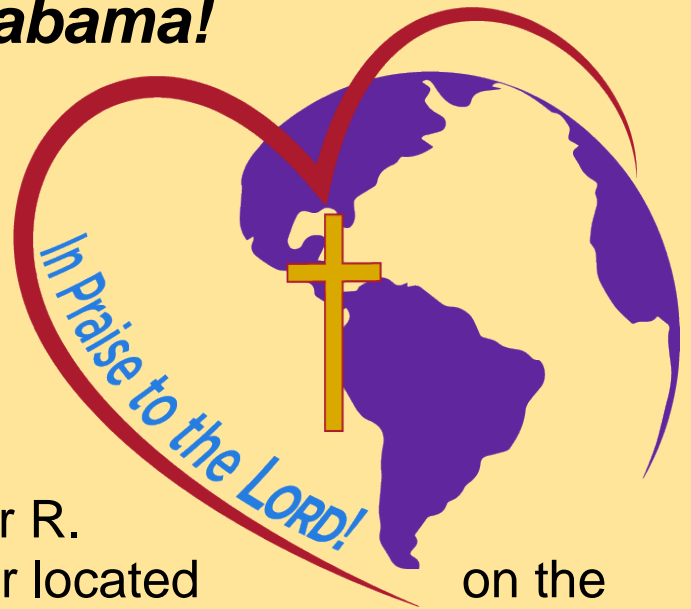
The first is for you to be clear in what you are saying and what you are hoping to accomplish. After you communicate, follow up by asking for input. The goal is to get responses so you know how your message has been received and understood. This creates an exchange between you and those you have communicated with. It also helps to develop a relationship that encourages future conversation.

The second part is for you to think about your members and their gifts. How will their gifts be beneficial to your team or something that is being planned? Let people know how vital they are in whatever you are doing. Send out encouraging messages to let them know you are thinking of them. Build relationships to let everyone know they are special. If you are a zone president, try to attend society events in your zone and send encouraging notes that all goes well with their event. If you are a society president, think of ways to involve your members in all your plans.

The more you communicate, the more likely people will be comfortable with communicating with you.

Make plans to attend LWML's 2019 Convention in Mobile, Alabama!

The LWML Executive Committee recently met in Mobile, Alabama, and is rolling out the purple carpet for you to join them, "In Praise to the LORD" for the 2019, LWML Convention at the beautiful Arthur R. Outlaw Mobile Convention Center located on the picturesque Mobile River and adjacent to refreshing Mobile Bay.



Following the 2019 LWML Convention, join your LWML family on a 5 night post-convention cruise for well-deserved rest and relaxation as well as fun and fellowship with old and new friends. Carnival Cruise

Line's Fantasy will be sailing June 24-29, 2019 out of Mobile, Alabama, to Costa Maya and Cozumel.

Would you like to take part in this fun getaway? Registration is now open, so book as early as possible to get the cabin you prefer. McGehee Cruise & Vacation Inc. will assist with all reservations for the cruise. For further information and questions, please visit:

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More 2019 LWML Convention information may be found at:
www.lwml.org/2019-convention

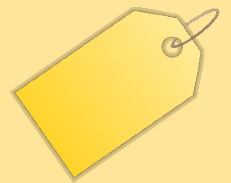


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As you receive cards from family and friends, remember to save the canceled stamps that are on the envelope. Please leave approximately 1/8" of "envelope" around the stamp when trimming. If you have any questions, please contact Honey Pabst via email at arthon@aol.com.



Why not join in the fun? Join with members of the Suffolk Zone and make scarves for their **Scarf Sister Program**. Knit, crochet or even sew scarves. Make scarves in colors for men, women and/or children in simple patterns. Finished scarves will be collected near the end of November to be delivered in December. Each scarf will be tagged by the LWML society at your church.



For more information contact: Honey Pabst, President AD LWML Suffolk Zone at arthon@aol.com



REGISTRATION IS OPEN NOW!

**Mark your calendars now!
Atlantic District's Fall Retreat
October 12-14, 2018**

Pastor Matthew Popovits, Retreat Leader

“WALKING WITHOUT FEAR”

Psalm 46:1-3

*¹God is our refuge and strength,
A very present help in trouble.*

*²Therefore we will not fear,
Even though the earth be removed,
And though the mountains be carried
into the midst of the sea;*

*³Though the waters roar and be troubled
Though the mountains shake with its
swelling. NKJV*



**Registration for Tuscarora opens September 1, 2018
Registration forms and further information is available at ADLWML.ORG**

Please make note of the following dates:

AD LWML Board/Planning Meeting, September 8, 2018

Tuscarora Retreat, October 12-14, 2018

Assembly of Leaders, November 7-10, 2018

National LWML Convention, June 20-23, 2019

2018 LWML Sunday

Need a break from this busy life and always wondering what might happen next? Then take a look at the 2018 LWML Sunday materials authored by Rev. Ken Hennings, LCMS Texas District Past President. The theme, "Our Rest in a Changing World," from Psalm 62:1-8 will take you through worship to the sermon titled, "The Rest We Share" giving pause and insight in seeking that rest.



The first Sunday in October is traditionally set aside for the observation of LWML Sunday, but it may be celebrated at any time. A full worship service is available for download. As many pastors prefer to tailor their services to their congregation's needs, the sermon, litany and children's sermon can also be downloaded separately and may be inserted in any worship service wherever needed.

Read more about 2018 LWML Sunday at www.lwml.org/lwml-sunday

More information is available for you at LWML.org. Check it out!

Make plans to be a part of

Mill Neck Family's Apple Festival and White Elephant Sale!

40 Frost Mill Road

Mill Neck, NY

October 6 & 7, 2018

9 am to 5 pm

To participate or for more information, please contact Deaconess Phyllis Yee at pyee@millneck.org or call 516/628-4229



Zone Events

SUFFOLK ZONE FALL EVENT



Suffolk Zone's Fall Event will be held at Grace Lutheran Church, 75 Caleb's Path, Central Islip, on Saturday, September 29, 2018, beginning at 9 a.m. with a worship service. Please bring a NEW book to donate appropriate for ages 10-21 for Little Flower Children and Family Services of Wading River, NY. Adult coloring books and colored pencils would also be appreciated.

QUEENS ZONE EVENT

The Queens Zone of LWML is hosting a full-day excursion on the Spirit of New York Gospel Cruise line on Saturday, October 6, 2018, beginning at 9:15 a.m. sharp! Just \$125 covers a buffet lunch, live Gospel

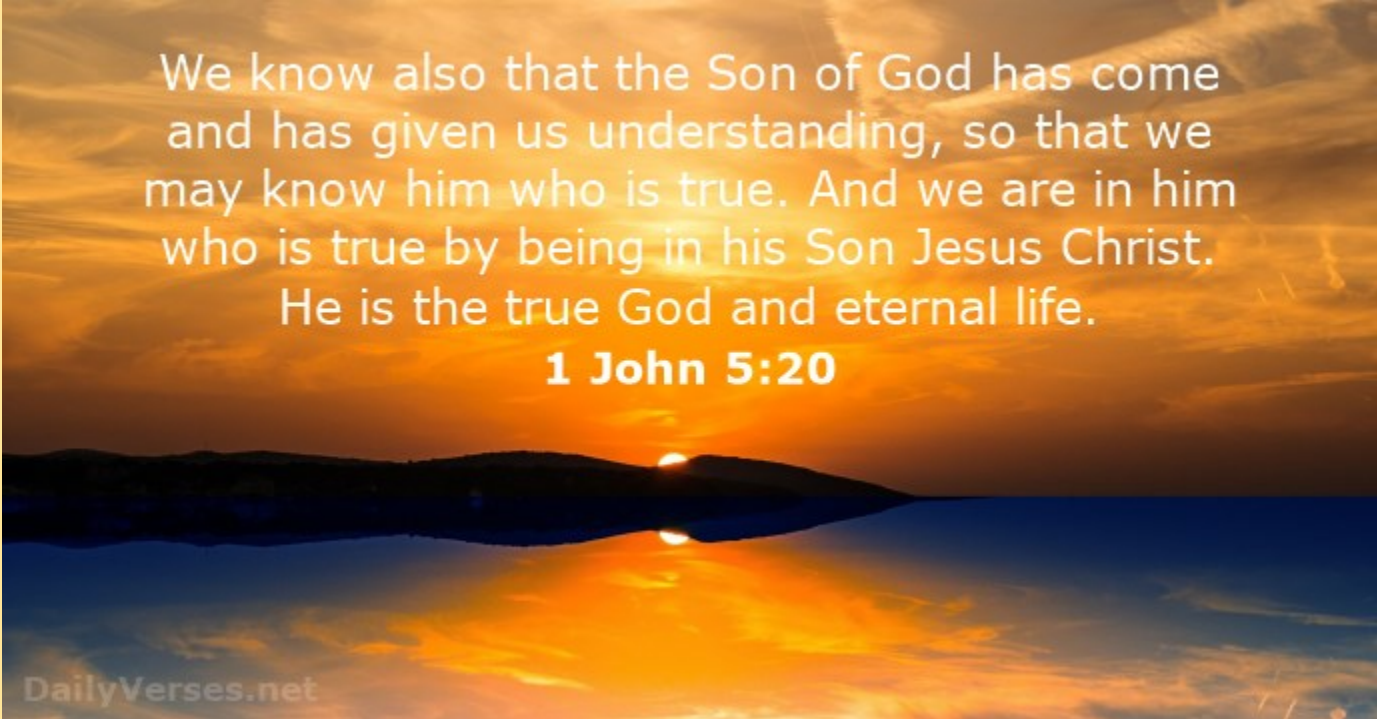


entertainment, and 3 hours of shopping as you cruise enjoying the beautiful sites of New York. Contact Queens Zone President, Linda Kelly for further details.

1 John 5 English Standard Version (ESV)

Overcoming the World

5 Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him.² By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments.³ For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome.⁴ For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith.⁵ Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?



We know also that the Son of God has come and has given us understanding, so that we may know him who is true. And we are in him who is true by being in his Son Jesus Christ. He is the true God and eternal life.

1 John 5:20

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