

Installation of Officers (1)

INSTALLING PASTOR OR OFFICER: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

You have been called into the service of our Lord through the Lutheran Women's Missionary League. The women of this organization have honored you by placing their trust and confidence in your abilities as Christian leaders. You in turn will honor our Lord by performing your duties to the best of your ability. In all our tasks we look to God for guidance in His Word.

Let each of you look not only to his own interests but also to the interests of others (Philippians 2:4).

May you be strengthened with all power according to His glorious might for all endurance and patience with joy (Colossians 1:11).

Put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony (Colossians 3:14).

In the presence of God and of your fellow members do you, (name) as president, (name) as vice-president, (name) as secretary, (etc.) accept the office to which you have been elected, and will you faithfully fulfill the required duties as God gives you grace, strength, and wisdom to the glory of Christ our Lord and in service to the LWML? If so, answer, "Yes, with the help of God."

RESPONSE: Yes, with the help of God.

INSTALLANT (TO MEMBERSHIP): Dear sisters in Christ, having heard God's Word and the promise of your officers, do you intend to encourage, help, and respect your elected leaders? Do you intend to rededicate yourselves to being living members of this organization? If so, then answer, "We do."

MEMBERS: We do.

INSTALLANT: May God bless you, elected officers and members, with His Holy Spirit, that you may prove faithful stewards of Christ our Lord. Let us pray:

Gracious God, grant us, Your servants, every spiritual gift necessary to complete our tasks in harmony with Your plans for us and for this organization. Lead us to discover our greatest potential as well as our limitations. Help us accept the humanity of one another. Most of all, instill in all of us daily dependence on You, our loving Father. Amen.

The God of peace make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in His sight; through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.