Eden Keefe

LWML President

Eden Keefe loves to laugh, and her joy is founded in Jesus Christ!

When asked about her vision for the LWML, Eden responds, "As Lutheran Women in Mission, we will be purposeful and purpose filled as we joyfully proclaim Christ, support missions, and honor God by serving others.

Purposeful — moving forward with thoughtful planning to impact the world with our mite giving and mission living. Purpose-filled — Christ-centered and dedicated in what we seek to accomplish, yet flexible and creative in how we engage women of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod." After serving in her current role as President, she would also add the need to be personal – as in personally inviting others to learn more about the uniquely wonderful organization we are blessed to serve.

Marlene Lorenz, Eden's mom, included her and her sister in LWML events when they were young, and Eden considers her mother to be her first mentor. Past LWML Presidents are also special mentors in her life, encouraging her to expand her roles and trust God to equip her.

She has served as the voice of LWML *On The Go* Podcast, LWML interim Vice President of Gospel Outreach, Vice President of Christian Life, as Christian Living Editor and Mission Editor for the *Quarterly*, Leader Development Chairman, and as a member on the Christian Resources Editors and HOPE Committees. She has held many district positions and has also been active on boards and committees in her zone and group.

Eden grew up on a dairy farm in south central Kansas, attended St. John's College and graduated from Southwestern College, both in Winfield, Kansas. She has lived in the Kansas City metro area most of her married life. She and her husband Brad enjoyed a seven-year stay in South Carolina where she was involved in the LWML Carolinas District. In 2019, they came back to Kansas, retired, and enjoy being close to their children and grandchildren who live in the area.

A woman of many interests, Eden loves tea parties, "adventures" with her grandsons, naps — especially on rainy days, and being a Visual Faith® Coach and Digital Missioner. She is active on both Instagram and Facebook.