

Let us hold fast

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A letter from the host committee chairman of the 43rd biennial convention

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

I invite you to come to Corpus Christi for the 43rd Biennial Convention of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League Texas District. The Coastal Bend, Mid Coast, Rio Grande Valley, and North Alamo host zones have been diligently working to provide a time for you to reaffirm that your hope is anchored in Christ as we hold fast to His promises, so that we can boldly witness to others.

We recommend that you arrive on Wednesday, June 12, so that you can participate all day Thursday in our on-site and off-site servant events, visit the exhibits, and browse the LWML store, all before the convention officially begins. Time to do these things on Friday is very limited.

I pray that you will be strengthened in your faith through the Divine Service with Holy Communion on Thursday evening, and as we study God's Word with our pastoral counselors. We will honor God with our Gifts from the Heart, offerings, and participation in servant events.

The convention concludes by noon on Saturday, giving you plenty of time to spend the rest of the weekend exploring the many attractions of Corpus Christi, like our beautiful bayfront and beaches, the Texas State Aquarium, and the USS Lexington Museum on the Bay. You can watch the sunrise over the beautiful bay right across from the Omni Hotel and enjoy eating fresh seafood at local restaurants.

Make your plans now to join us in Corpus Christi for the convention where, through worship and fellowship, all will have the opportunity to leave with a more loving, encouraging, and bold witness of our Lord, reassured that by holding fast (standing firm) in our one sure hope, Jesus Christ, we have the anchor that will sustain us to life everlasting!

Sincerely,

Judy Kunkel
2024 Convention Host Committee
Chairman



Convention Goal: Hold fast in Christ, our source of hope, living out our faith without wavering.

Convention Objective: Attendees will be strengthened in faith through worship and fellowship, honor God by showing love to one another, witness boldly anchored in Christ.

Speakers and Special Guests

Our guest speaker will be Debbie Larson, former LWML president (2019–2023). Debbie will also lead one of the Enrichment Sessions.

Wake Up with the Word will be led by Ruth Meyer – author, wife, mother – who will also lead one of the Enrichment Sessions.

Kayla Winkler, Christian Life Committee member, will present one of the Enrichment Sessions. Kayla is the author of our weekly meditations and monthly Bible study, found at lwmltxdist.org/christian-life.

2024 Convention Details

A QUICK LOOK AT THE SCHEDULE

June 11 – Preconvention EC meeting
June 12 – Preconvention EC meeting,
Board of Directors Meeting & Dinner
June 13 – Registration, Exhibits, Stores,
On-Site and Off-Site Mission Service open
Worship Service – 7:30 p.m.
June 14 – Wake Up with the Word
Meeting Sessions
Enrichment Sessions
June 15 – Moving for Mites
Final Meeting Session

MOVING FOR MITES

Our event for mites will be a 30-minute low impact stretching session held in the comfort of the hotel on Saturday at 7 a.m. It will be a fun way to start your day while raising money for the LWML Texas District mites.

Hotel information

The Omni Corpus Christi will accept reservations beginning March 1.

The group rate for all blocked rooms is \$149 plus tax and is good for one to four persons per room.

The convention rate is available until 5 p.m. on May 22.

For online reservations, use the direct link on our website at lwmltxdist.org/convention.

Reservations may also be made by calling the Omni's reservation line, 1-800-843-6664, and asking for the Lutheran Women's Missionary League Texas District 2024 room block or give code: 061024LUTHERANWOMENS.

If you need assistance or a roommate, please contact Housing Coordinator Helen Schneider at conventionhousing@lwmltxdist.org.

Registration opens on March 1, 2024

In order to take advantage of the discounted registration fee, registrations must be submitted or postmarked by May 7. Online registration is available at lwmltxdist.org/convention with payment by credit card through May 31. The registration form is available on the website. It can be completed on screen, printed, and mailed to the registrar with payment (check to LWML Texas District or credit card information). No American Express cards will be accepted. Please contact Registrar Alissa Elley at registrar@lwmltxdist.org with questions.

Choir

If you are interested in singing in the choir during Thursday evening's worship service, please check the appropriate box on the registration form. Practice time will be at 2 p.m. on Thursday in the Corpus Christi Ballroom.

GIFTS FROM THE HEART

Gathering items for this convention and the recipients are: Standard twin sheet sets (fitted, flat, and pillowcase). No twin XL or white color.
Set of matching towels (bath, hand, and face cloth). No white color. Sheet sets and towel sets for Upbring Children Centers – Bokenkamp in Corpus Christi and New Life in Canyon Lake.
Full-size body wash, shampoo, and toothpaste for Rainbow Rooms.
Gift cards from Walmart and Amazon for New Life Refuge Ministries.
Gift cards from Walmart, Target, and HEB for Pregnancy Center of the Coastal Bend. Please write the monetary value on all gift cards.

Questions? Please contact Host Committee Chairman Judy Kunkel at CorpusChristi2024@lwmltxdist.org.

Mission Service Opportunities

These on-site servant events will be available on Thursday and Friday: tacking lap quilts, tying fleece blankets, completing breast pillows, marking Bibles, writing notes of thanks and encouragement.

Off-site servant events will be held on Thursday.

There is no cost to participate and bus transportation is provided. The Mission Service Events Committee will contact you for your site preference if you indicate YES on your registration form.

Brookdale Trinity Towers Assisted Living Facility — singing, Bingo, painting fingernails.

Alameda Oaks Nursing Center — singing, Bingo, painting fingernails.

Ronald McDonald House — prepare lunch for the residents.

Hi Again Resale Shop (part of the Pregnancy Center of the Coastal Bend) — sort donations and place them in the store and tidy up the store.