

The Northern Texas/Northern Louisiana (NT-NL) Synodical Women's Organization (SWO)  
July 29, 2024

**Churchwide News:**



Linda Post Bushkofsky, WELCA Executive director, retired June 30th. To honor Linda's 22 years of service to Women of the ELCA, you are invited to make a gift to 2122: Growing Katie's Fund for the next 100 years, the campaign to raise \$1 million for this endowment. Katie's Fund supports ministries focused on global sharing, leadership development, and faith in daily life at <https://www.womenoftheelca.org/katiesfund>

Jennifer Hockenbery, Ph.D., a college dean, philosophy professor, and editor of the *Journal of Lutheran Ethics*, will serve as interim churchwide executive director of Women of the ELCA, beginning July 1<sup>st</sup> for one year. For more information, see <https://www.womenoftheelca.org/blog/news/hockenbery-to-serve-as-interim-executive-director-of-women-of-the-elca>

Thanks to those who have made contributions to the churchwide WELCA as of April 30th:

- St. John Lutheran Church in Bartlett, TX
- Resurrection Lutheran Church in Plano, TX

Our #1 Goal is to improve communication with several methods:

- Join our FaceBook NT-NL SWO Group at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/748717508538531> where this page features local events within our NT-NL Synodical Women's Organization.
- Join our FaceBook NT-NL SWO Page at <https://www.facebook.com/ntnlsw> where this page features Synodical Women's Groups from around the ELCA
- Check out our website at <https://ntnlutheranwomen.com/>
- Your conference liaison will be reaching out churches to update the churchwide WELCA contacts from 2021



### HOT Conference hosts the NT-NL Spiritual Feast Retreat

Date: Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>

Time: 10am-3pm

Place: First Lutheran Church  
St. Lydia's Episcopal Student Ctr.  
1712 S 10th St. Waco

Includes: Free lunch

RSVP: Rev. Austin Nickel

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### NT-NL Synodical Womens Organization (SWO) Fall Retreat

Date/time: October 11 from 3:30-8:15pm

Date/time: October 12 from 8:30am-3:15pm

Place: King of Glory Lutheran  
6411 Lyndon B Johnson Fwy  
Dallas, TX 75240

#### Speakers:

- Catherine Walker, author, *Boosting Your Joy*
- Rev. Rachel Ringlaben
- Rev. Mallory Morris

Cost: \$70 for 2 days **by Sept. 15**

\$75 for 2 days by Sept. 30

\$80 for 2 days at the door

\$60 for Saturday only

Includes: Friday dinner, Saturday lunch, SERRV (fair trade products) and drawing for Triennial registration

RSVP: Registration is open at

<https://ntnlutheranwomen.com/>

Email [lheyde51@aol.com](mailto:lheyde51@aol.com) for scholarship if needed **by Sept. 15**



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### Action Items by August 9<sup>th</sup>:



1. To prepare for our SWO Fall Retreat, please submit your t-shirt design for our NT-NL Synodical Women's Organization to [jwinge@aol.com](mailto:jwinge@aol.com)
2. Submit your silent auction item/wine bottle (\$30-\$40) to [sarakh728@gmail.com](mailto:sarakh728@gmail.com)

God bless you,  
Jane Winge, NT-NL SWO President

## Rejoice, Pray, Give Thanks!

The NT-NL SWO is holding their annual Women's Retreat on October 11-12, 2024, featuring guest speaker Catherine Walker, author of the book "Boosting your Joy". Catherine Walker is a professional speaker, happiness coach, author and podcast host and human behavior specialist with over 20 years of experience in training and presenting.

**Women's Retreat**  
October 11-12, 2024  
Save the Date!

More details will follow—so mark your calendars now!

Hosted by King of Glory Lutheran Church, Dallas, TX

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 "Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing. In everything, give thanks, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you."

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