

January 27, 2026

Churchwide News:

Prayer, Just Love and Craftivism

We will discuss Scriptural accounts of God listening to the cries of his people and the great commandment. We will also discuss different forms of activism, including "Craftivism" that is happening among women in the UK and the U.S.

Date: Wednesday, February 4, 2026

Time: 7:00-8:00pm CT

Register: https://www.gathermagazine.org/we_lament/



WELCA Triennial Convention will be held online from July 13-14, 2026. Nominations for 2026-2029 churchwide board members are due **by February 20** at <https://www.womenoftheelca.org/nominations-form-2>

WELCA Triennial Gathering will be held in Des Moines, Iowa from July 16-19, 2026 with worship, workshops and service projects. Take advantage of \$525 registration **by June 21** at <https://welcatg.org>. Triennial scholarships are available at <https://ntnlutheranwomen.com/forms/>

Bold Café

Our host, the Rev. Angela T. Khabeb, will lead our discussion about precious scars. Granddaughters, daughters, nieces, etc., are encouraged to join! Participants are all encouraged to bring a favorite stuffed toy or doll.

Date: Thursday, February 19, 2026

Time: 7:00-8:00pm CT

Register: <https://www.boldcafe.org/dinner/>

Coloring Page: <https://www.boldcafe.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/IamworthyColoring.pdf>



SALT

We are thankful to all our donors for giving to Women of the ELCA through the SALT Appeal for Giving Tuesday! We are still honoring the \$50,000 matching gift from our generous donor, Churchwide board member, Julia Hong Sabella, until January. Make your gift today! This generous match will help us achieve our appeal goal of \$250,000 at <https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/donation-form/salt-appeal>

WELCA Campus Ambassador

Are you on campus? Are you looking to engage in authentic intergenerational relationships? The Beloved: WELCA Campus Ambassador program will connect young adult women on campus with peers, raise awareness about WELCA's ministry, and provide students with mentoring opportunities with girls ages 7-12 in local ELCA congregations. Learn more and apply at: <https://www.womenoftheelca.org/ministry-action/intergenerational-2/welca-leader-page-campus-ambassador-program>



Synodical News

Dallas Area Metro North Spring Retreat on April 18

Women of the **ELCA**

Serve Others

The Dallas Area Metroplex North Conference (DAMN) of the NTNL Synodical Women's Organization is holding their annual Women's Retreat on April 18, 2026, with guest speaker Rev. Cheryl Horned.

When: April 18, 2026 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Location: Trinity Lutheran Church, 1515 N. Travis St., Sherman, TX 75092
Cost: Early bird ends 3/31/26 - \$20 Registration deadline 4/15/26 - \$25 At the door \$30
make checks payable to NTNL SWO, includes lunch and childcare (see below)
Register online at: <https://tithe.ly/event-registration/#/10789524>
Scholarships are available if needed.

8:30 - 9:00 Registration, continental breakfast
9:00 - 9:15 Welcome, introductions, bible verse
9:15 - 10:15 Keynote speaker - Rev. Cheryl Horned
10:15 - 10:30 Break
10:30 - 11:15 Chair Yoga
11:15 - 11:20 Update from Therapy Dogs
11:20 - 12:15 Lunch and Networking, Update on Living Water International
12:15 - 1:00 Breakout Session - Finding our Spiritual Gifts
1:00 - 1:15 Break
1:15 - 2:00 Breakout Session - Rev. Cheryl Horned
2:00 - 2:45 Meditation - Using our Spiritual Gifts to Serve Others
3:00 - 4:00 Workshop Service with Communion

Please mail completed form and check by April 11th to:

Pam Grosze
2600 Ash Drive
St. Paul, TX 75098

Registration Information

Name _____
Street Address _____
City / St / ZIP Code _____
Phone _____
E-Mail Address _____
Home Church _____
Special Dietary Needs / Restrictions? _____
Childcare needed? # of children: _____

Questions?

Call 972-978-4046 Email pgrosze@ntnlsw.org
Forms can be emailed to this address also.

SERRV and Free Trade Products!

We will be offering SERRV and Free Trade products. 30% of the money will go towards WELCA scholarships for future events.
Visit <https://www.etsy.com> to view items or make specific requests to pgrosze@ntnlsw.org by 3/31/26.

Need a Shirt?

Get a T-Shirt Dallas Area Metroplex North (DAMN) Conference or NTNL SWO for \$20

Service Project - Sherman low income schools

Bring school supplies to donate to low income schools in the Sherman area - this time of year teachers start running out!

Book Exchange

Bring a book, take a book! Any leftovers will be donated to a local assisted living center.



Don't miss an opportunity to join with other members of the Dallas Area Metroplex North Conference! We have great speakers, interesting and fun breakout sessions, and always great food and conversation!

Date: Saturday, April 18, 2026

Time: 8:30am-4:00pm

Place: Trinity Lutheran Church, 1515 N. Travis St, Sherman

Cost: \$20 by March 31, \$25 after April 1, \$30 at the door

Register: <https://tithe.ly/event-registration/#/10789524> or make check payable to NT-NL SWO or request scholarship to: Pam Grosze, 2600 Ash Dr., St. Paul TX 75098

Bring: School supplies to donate to low-income schools
Bring a book, take a book at the book exchange

NT-NL SWO \$500 Continuing Education Scholarship Awarded

Applicants seeking continuing education scholarships must be a participant in a WELCA unit and a voting member of the ELCA. Course of study may have a ministry job component or it may be applied for continuing education in job training or updating vocational training. Deadlines for application are **May 15** and **November 15**. To apply, click on <https://ntnlutheranwomen.com/forms/>



NT-NL SWO Fall Retreat Save the Date!

Save the date for our NT-NL SWO Fall Retreat and more information will be coming!

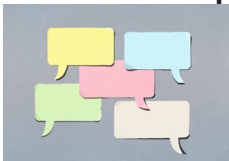
Date: October 9-10, 2026

Place: St. Matthew Lutheran Church
800 N New Road
Waco TX 76710

Volunteers: Please contact Jane Winge at 972-658-4387



Goal #1 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/>

Peace,
Jane Winge
NT-NL SWO President