

NORTH CAROLINA SYNODICAL WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION

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NOVEMBER 2009 BULLETIN

Dancing With God

When I meditated on the word *Guidance*,
I kept seeing "dance" at the end of the word.
"God, "u" and "i" dance."
God, you, and I dance.

Dear Sisters in Christ,

This short reflection was taken from an email I received from one of our members after she heard our theme for this year. The reflection goes on to say that doing God's will is a lot like dancing. If two people try to lead it doesn't feel right and doesn't flow with the music. The dance takes surrender, willingness, and attentiveness from one person and gentle guidance and skill from the other.

Sister take my hand....(I invite you to) **dance with me.** During November we have many opportunities to dance with to God. We commemorate all the saints of the church on All Saints Sunday (November 1st). It is a time to remember those who died last year. This tradition reminds us of those "saints" who have inspired our dance with God. With this in mind, all the conference gatherings held a service of remembering for those participants who died this past year.

November is also time for Thankofferings. Many Women of the ELCA units and congregations are gathering a Thankoffering this time of year. We invite you to use the Thankoffering service now available on the Women of the ELCA Web site (www.womenoftheelca.org) or write your own service. Remember God loves a cheerful giver. Offering boxes and envelopes are available through [Augsburg Fortress](#).

• **Mission: Action:**

- **Lutheran World Relief:** Attached is a list of drop-off sites. **The dates are (Mon- Fri.) Nov 2-6, and (Mon-Fri) Nov 9-13.** Be sure to read the information for the exceptions to those dates and fill out a contribution record for your congregation. This is the only way we can track what is sent to LWR from North Carolina. Thank you for your continued support of this ministry.
- **Remember to** encourage your congregation to send health kits. LWR's supply of health kits is almost gone and with the latest floods in the Philippines and Samoa there will be an increasing need for them.

• **Mission: Community:**

- **Morsels:** Read the "tidbits and more" and share them with your unit and congregation.
- **Women of the ELCA Sunday:** If you need a speaker or help planning your Women of the ELCA Sunday contact me or Judy Gainey.

- **Mission: Growth:**
 - **Prayers for November:** Remember to pray each Monday at noon with your sisters across the country. See the attached prayer for youth on the Mission-Growth page.
 - **One-Day Retreats: Refill the Well** is the topic - Make plans now to attend February 27, 2010. (Sites to be announced.)
- **Leadership:** Co-sponsored with Mission Growth the Women's Theological Seminar in September. See the attached articles about that seminar.
- **Gathering Planning:** they have read all your evaluations and have already met with Lenoir-Rhyne staff to look at doing things a little differently this year. Stay tuned for information as it comes forth, and save June 11-13, 2010.
- **Conference Coordinator:** Linda Holden's note about the conference meetings is attached.
- **Nominations:**
 - **For SWO officers and board** – it is time for nominations for President, Treasurer and 4 board members. You will find the nomination form and job descriptions enclosed. Prayerfully consider this opportunity to “**dance with your sisters**”. The deadline is January 2, 2009. Maxine Amos is the nominating chair.
 - **Triennial Delegates:** we will also be voting for eight (8) Triennial delegates for the 2011 Triennial in Spokane, Washington. To be eligible you must be nominated by your congregational expression. For more information about the North Carolina plans for Triennial go to our facebook page – NC Women of the ELCA Triennial.
- **Updates:**
 - **Flood Buckets:** See the enclosed information about “Flood Buckets”. Those of you who live in the areas of our state that were affected by floods know how important it is to have the supplies included in these buckets.
 - **The 2009-2010 Stewardship Planning Guide** is available on the Women of the ELCA website www.womenoftheelca.org – click on Stewardship and Giving

Important Reminders:

- **Women of the ELCA Sunday:** November 1, 2010 (or other designated Sunday)
- **Thankofferings:** November is traditionally thankoffering month. Please remind your treasurer to use the B form and send thankofferings **directly to churchwide**.
- **Church Women United World Community Day:** World Community Day will be celebrated on November 6th. Check your local newspapers for information and attend this inspirational worship service. The theme is “Piecing Earth Together”.

Have a great November. “**DANCE WITH ME**” – **reach out and touch the future.**

Peace

Cathy Sell

NC Women of the ELCA President

URGENT! NEW & IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR THE LWR FALL COLLECTION!

TO: All Women of the NC Synod of the ELCA
FROM: Rachel Price, Synod Coordinator for Lutheran World Relief
Women of the ELCA/Mission: Action Committee/ Lutheran World Relief
RE: Parish Projects/ Drop-off Info
DATE: August 27, 2009

As I write to you, I am **anxiously awaiting a left knee replacement on Wed., Sept. 2 at Mercy Hospital in Charlotte. After three days, I will go somewhere for therapy.** My doctor will decide where following surgery. I will be unable to get e-mails and phone messages for an indefinite period. I may not be allowed a cell phone, either. If you have questions about the pick-up of your LWR parish projects during my recuperation, please contact the Mission: Action Chair, Alice Nelson (919-828-1687 or 919-359-1179).

I hope your congregation is continuing its efforts in these LWR Year Round Projects. In the year 2008, 1083 cases were collected for LWR with one and one-half trailer loads being delivered to New Windsor. The weight was approximately 19, 891 pounds. **THANKS FOR ALL YOUR HARD WORK.**

Remember, the two important recent changes in the projects--**NO CLOTHING WHATSOEVER AND NO TOOTHPASTE IN THE HEALTH KITS.** You can refer to **BE INVOLVED** for further information and for instructions on assembling and packing items. **PLEASE pay close attention to pages 20 & 21.** You can call **1-800-LWR-LWR2** for extra copies, which are free. Please keep these brochures as they probably will be used for several more years. You can also get the same info at the website **lwr.org** by clicking on **Be Involved.**

Please follow packing directions carefully.

No more than 40 pounds to a carton; Only one kind of an item to a carton; No plastic or paper bags!
PLEASE REMEMBER TO TAPE CASES AND WEIGH THEM! The churches at the drop-off sites may contact you if your donations are not packed according to LWR specifications!

Label each carton with contents and your church information; address each carton to:

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF
601 MAIN STREET
NEW WINDSOR, MD 21776

There are no new drop-off sites for 2009, so they are the same as last year. We have tried to use drop-off sites distributed across the synod but it is impossible to have a separate site for each conference. **(If the drop-off site listed for your conference is not convenient for your church, you may take your items to another drop-off site. It does not matter which drop-off site you use, as all items are consolidated in Hickory and sent as one shipment from the NC Synod.)**

The dates are (Mon- Fri.) Nov 2-6, and (Mon-Fri) Nov 9-13 (EXCEPT FOR ASHEVILLE AND HICKORY-- SEE DETAILS BELOW). These two drop-off churches have elections on Nov. 3--NO DELIVERIES THERE UNTIL AFTER NOV. 3.

We gratefully appreciate these churches agreeing to be drop-off sites for the conferences.

Asheville--St. Mark's (Blue Ridge Mtn. and Smokey Mtn. Conferences)

Dates are Wed., Nov. 4 through Sat., Nov. 14.

P O Box 8608

10 N Liberty St.

Asheville NC 28814-8608

Contact Eileen Cram 828-253-0043

Charlotte--St. Luke's (Mecklenburg/Union and Cabarrus Conferences)

PO BOX 11063

3200 Park Rd.

Charlotte NC 28220

Contact Sandra Taylor 704-523-7981

Dallas--St. Paul's (Southwestern and Gaston Conferences)

531 Hardin Rd.

Dallas NC 28034

Contact Joe Rhyne and Gail Summey 704-922-4387

Hickory--New Jerusalem (East Catawba and West Catawba Conferences)

Dates are Wed., Nov. 4 through Mon., Nov. 16. (No Saturday deliveries, please)

2120 Startown Rd.

Hickory NC 28602

Contact Pastor Randall Cauble 828-324-7272

Jacksonville--Church of Our Savior (Northeast and Southeast Conferences)

1115 Lejuene Boulevard Road

Jacksonville, NC 28540

Contact Sherry Ercolanese 910-347-2207

Raleigh--Grace (Northeast Piedmont and Sandhills/Piedmont Conferences)

5010 Six Forks Rd

Raleigh NC 27609

Contact "Amazing Grace"==Lorrie Rhea and Peggy Koehler 919-787-1815

Salisbury Area--Faith (West Central, West Rowan and East Rowan Conferences)

P. O. Box 669

205 S. Main St.

Faith, NC 28041

Contact Betty Hunt 704-279-4597 **Mondays (Nov. 2 & 9) 9-11 AM, Tuesdays (Nov. 3 & 10) 1-3 PM, and Thursdays (Nov. 5 & 12), 5-7 PM**

Winston-Salem--Augsburg (Northern Piedmont, Triad, and Northwestern Conferences)

845 W. 5th St.

Winston-Salem NC 27101

Contact Phyllis Still 336-722-8144

These cartons will then be picked up by Estes Express Lines, consolidated in Hickory, and delivered to the LWR warehouse in New Windsor, Md. **Many, Many, Many THANKS to Estes who has delivered our goods to New Windsor all these years. They have also picked up some of the local shipments FREE OF CHARGE. What a wonderful display of love and friendship!**

Thank you so much for your efforts,
Rachel T. Price, LWR Coordinator
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Home Phone--828-294-1135
Cell Phone--828-381-0955
Email: rtp1330@gmail.com

P.S. To the eight churches that are drop-off sites for LWR:

This is a copy of the info that will be coming out in this month's Synod Servant and the Monthly Bulletin (for the Women of the ELCA) and the Carolina Vine. These are also available on line.

Please try to have volunteers (EX. Boy Scouts, Senior Citizens, etc. available to help load the trucks.) The truck drivers **REALLY DO APPRECIATE IT.**

Mission: Community

Tidbits & More November 2009

Tidbits & More brings a variety of ideas to help women grow and celebrate their community in Christ. This month's issue offers ideas not only for the month of November, but ones to help you plan ahead for Advent and Christmas as well.

Grow your community of women

Consider involving teenage girls in middle school through high school in Women of the ELCA activities. If they prefer, let them meet as a separate group for devotions and projects. Encourage meeting with congregational women's groups on some occasions to share their ideas. Ask them to assist with projects such as helping to pack Lutheran World Relief boxes, assisting with birthday parties at local nursing homes, and visiting shut-ins. Encourage outings as a group and let them have FUN while learning about the women's organization. This is a means of planting seeds for the future. (From Glennie Beam - contact Cedar Grove, Vale, to find out more about this venture.)

Celebrate community

A final reminder World Community Day is November 6, 2009. Sponsored by Church Women United, this year's theme is "Piecing Earth Together." The logo depicts a scene from the creation story in Genesis being sewn together in a quilt. Reminding women of the broken nature in the environment and the need to repair the earth, the program will deal with environmental issues. Contact your local Church Women United group or visit www.churchwomen.org, and participate in an ecumenical gathering with your sisters in Christ on the first Friday in November.

Thanksgiving is just around the corner! As you and your family and friends make plans to celebrate, consider a neighbor, friend, or relative who might appreciate an invitation to give thanks and feast with you. As you prepare, consider these "green" ideas from Gail Welch, Mt. Olive, Hickory. "Two table-spoons of borax in three cups of water will give you sparkling windows and mirrors in no time. Baking soda is a great cleaner for stainless steel sinks without being abrasive. Reduce paper use by using cloth napkins. It will make your family feel so special." Thanks Gail for sharing ideas that honor God as we make decisions to reduce abuse of creation.

When you go to worship on Sunday mornings, is it one of the most "segregated" hours of your week? Think about it! Many of us live in diverse communities. We work, shop, go to school functions and entertainment events, and dine-out with people of varied races and cultures. But how many of us worship with people reflecting that same diversity? We gather to worship the One who makes us all one in Christ, but what are we doing as members of the body of Christ to claim and celebrate our unity? Does this aspect of our worship really honor the Creator of us all? Please join other Sisters in Christ throughout the state of North Carolina to pray and seek what God is calling us to do.

Talk with your pastor about inviting surrounding churches of other denominations to attend special services such as community Advent/Christmas or Lenten services. Some churches share pastors and their church facilities so that services are held at a different location each of the weeks in Advent or Lent. This is a grand time for fellowship and worship together.

And a final reminder Have you finalized your plans to celebrate Women of the ELCA Sunday? Remember that some planning helps were included in October's installment of the Bulletin. Celebrate the community in Christ that is Women of the ELCA!

CONFERENCE LEADERS

Some Fall Gatherings have already been held with more to come. The Bible study is very thoughtful and every presenter gives it a little different flavor.

Thanks to everyone for all their hard work! Please don't forget to send me your letters of invitation and copies of the final paperwork. I have received several letters already and the letters of invitation show our continued commitment to God's work in our community. October and November will be busy months with most of the gatherings taking place. As always, if you need any help, please feel free to contact me or the Board representative assigned to your conference.

Blessings to Everyone,
Linda Holden, Conference Coordinator

MISSION GROWTH for NOVEMBER

One-Day Lenten Retreats

As women in today's world, there are multiple demands on our limited resources. Too many are drawing from our well. Though we try mightily to supply all the demands, we eventually feel drained-physically, emotionally and spiritually. How do we restore our dry bones?

Plan to attend the **One-Day Lenten Retreat** on Saturday, **February 27, 2010** coming to a congregation near you. At the end of your rope? Then grab your sister's hand, hold on and prepare to "**Refill the Well.**" Look for all the locations and the registration brochure coming soon.

Spring Retreat at Kure Beach

"Mary, Woman of Strength, Leads Us to the Fountain"

Join your sisters on a journey of discovery during the NC Women of the ELCA Spring Retreat at Kure Beach on **April 9-11, 2010**.

Mary, the mother of Jesus, was a model of strength. From her we will learn to not only survive but to revive through a fountain of grace. In addition to learning from Mary, there will be free time for a walk on the beach, shopping or other coastal pastimes. Mark your calendars now and reserve this weekend for Mary and for strengthening your faith with your sisters in Christ.

Need Program Resources?

Have you checked out the many new programs available for download on the **Women of the ELCA Web site**? Go to <http://www.elca.org/Growing-In-Faith/Ministry/Women-of-the-ELCA/New-resources-for-2009.aspx> Whether short or retreat-length, there's something for every need. Go to this link for a listing of all the program resources by categories: <http://www.elca.org/Growing-In-Faith/Ministry/Women-of-the-ELCA/All-our-resources.aspx>

Pray for Our Youth

Please share this prayer with your circles.

By Donna Prunkl

Heavenly Father,

How hostile our world must seem to young people. Angry adults arguing over politics, worrying over finances and now debating within the church. Help us model hope for our youth. Give us the strength of will for caring conversation and thoughtful mediation. When we are confused, help us refocus on your mission and your grace. Calm us, Lord, with your loving presence as we seek your abiding peace.

Amen

Women's Theological Perspective Seminar

Twenty-seven women gathered for serious study and faith growth at the Women's Theological Perspective Seminar in Burlington Sept. 25-26. Led by Dr. Mary Streufert, Director of Justice for Women in Church and Society for the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, the women were challenged to think deeply about how Jesus Christ is for us and among us.

Exploring how Jesus' life matters, the women viewed unique paintings from early Christian days showing Jesus eating, healing, teaching and being with people. A second series of paintings from around the 11th century showed how Jesus' death matters. For example, one painting shows Jesus dying on the cross, while at the same time giving birth from his shoulder a baby, the church. Drawings and paintings were especially important at a time when few people could read. Furthermore, women at our seminar, who read very well, found the paintings to give us much food for thought. Dr. Streufert said that Jesus' life was the making, unmaking, and remaking of power; early believers appreciated Jesus' death because they appreciated Jesus' life.

Building on the creeds and theology from early days, reformers such as Luther continued to point Christians toward awareness of God at work among us. Still today, scholars continue to study and guide believers to look for ways Christ's life, death, and resurrection matter to us.

Submitted by Marie Mauney

Note from a first timer:

How do we as women view Christ in a different light? We use the tools we have, scripture, history, reason and our contemporary knowledge and experience, as a lens to look in a new way. With fascinating art work from Medieval history and new theories, Dr. Mary Streufert captivated and challenged the women who attended the **Women's Theological Perspective Seminar**. After looking at many atonement theories, she asked participants to write down a question or a thought that one of the theories brought out for them. Evaluations said that the women wanted more expanded learning opportunities like the seminar, more often. Co-sponsored by the SWO Leadership and Mission Growth Committees, the seminar was held Sept. 25-26 in Burlington. The theological seminars take place every other year in the fall.

CALLED
TO

ACTION

God is our shelter, our strength, ever ready to help in time of trouble. Matthew 46:1

In November we spotlight Lutheran World Relief

Every day in 35 countries, Lutheran World Relief works to combat the causes of poverty and the dignity it robs from people's lives. They advocate for Fair Trade that helps farming families and artisans earn a better income. They teach people to better care for themselves, their communities and the environment. They teach people how to be less vulnerable to natural disasters. They advocate with and for them for policy change that more fairly represents them. They counsel them after manmade and natural disasters, and help them recover with material aid. They do all of this exclusively with partners from the communities they serve. Their partners help LWR remain incredibly efficient and effective. Their partners let LWR help people to help themselves...for a day when they won't need such help. Lutheran World Relief gives **"To Others, Through Others"**.

The last two years have seen record highs in the number of quilts that LWR distributed, yet the demands for humanitarian supplies continue to outpace the inventory of quilts, kits and soap in the warehouses. The demand is great for all the items they collect and in particular, there is an urgent need for health kits. Health kits are used in refugee camps to help contain the spread of disease; schools to teach children about good hygiene; and especially in emergency situations brought on by natural or man-made disasters. Lutheran World Relief needed 56,000 health kits by the end of 2009 to meet its commitments – and that was before the earthquakes, tsunamis, and typhoons in September. As God's hands on earth we need to be ready to help in time of trouble.

READY : Go to www.lwr.org and ask for copies of "be involved" for each family in your congregation.

SET : Learn all you can about the twelve areas of concern addressed by Lutheran World Relief: water, education, children, peace, food, women, relief, work, HIV/AIDS, justice, environment, and health.

DO : 1-Put together at least ten more health kits than your congregational expression sent to LWR in 2008. For a list of drop-off sites that collect the kits in November, see the schedule elsewhere in this bulletin.

2-Be sure the coffee and tea served at your meetings and any function at your church is Fair Trade coffee.

3-Choose one of the twelve areas of concern for Lutheran World Relief and use a creative way to inform your congregation about the needs, the possible solutions, and start a "project" to help meet one of those needs.

World Kindness Week is November 9-15, 2009

World Kindness Day is November 13

Try these random acts of kindness at home, at school, at work, in your neighborhood, in your town/city, for the state of North Carolina, for the United States of America, for the world. Keep track of what you do that week so you can share your ideas with the rest of us. Here are just a few to help you get started.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

- Rake leaves for a neighbor or for a favorite teacher.
- Walk someone's dog; care for someone's dog or cat while they are away.
- Babysit for free
- Read a story to someone younger or a newspaper/magazine to someone elderly.
- Write a letter or making a greeting card for an elderly person.

ADULTS

- Donate goodies for children to deliver to city service workers (e.g., police, firefighters, animal shelter).
- Give coupons for discounted or free goods to schools to use as incentives for their kindness programs.
- Organize a blood drive dedicated to Random Acts of Kindness.
- Put a collection box for kindness stories in your workplace. Create a news-letter featuring these stories; distribute it to customers, staff or schools.
- Teach one of your skills to a neighbor or coworker, and learn a skill from him or her as well.

GROUPS

- Be or sponsor a "Kindness" mascot to circulate, distributing small gifts and suggestions for acts of kindness. Send the mascot to a school to interact with the children or places serving the homeless.
- Plant a Kindness Tree or Garden with the help of youth groups, service clubs, or other volunteers.
- Organize a group of volunteers and service clubs to build a "Kindness Park" or bike trail or community vegetable garden.

NOMINATION FORM
North Carolina Synodical Women's Organization
of the Women of the ELCA
THE INDIVIDUAL NOMINATED MUST CONSENT TO SERVE IF ELECTED.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

HOME PHONE _____ BUSINESS PHONE _____

CELL PHONE _____ EMAIL ADDRESS _____

AGE RANGE _____ 34 or under _____ 35-49 _____ 50-64 _____ 65 or over

ETHNIC/RACIAL HERITAGE:

_____ Native American _____ African American
_____ Asian _____ Hispanic
_____ Caucasian _____ Other _____
(specify)

PRIMARY LANGUAGE IF OTHER THAN ENGLISH _____

NAME OF CONGREGATION _____

Please check all that apply to your congregational unit:

- _____ Have a written constitution or re-affirmation of membership on file with SWO
- _____ Meet regularly
- _____ Participate in Women of the ELCA activities beyond our unit
- _____ Support financially the total program of the Women of the ELCA
- _____ Have a leader and receive regular mailings from the synodical and churchwide organization

ADDRESS OF CONGREGATION _____
Street City Zip

CONFERENCE _____

POSITION FOR WHICH NOMINATED _____

NAME OF PERSON/GROUP MAKING NOMINATION _____

COMPLETE OTHER SIDE OF THIS FORM AND RETURN BY JANUARY 4, 2010.

Send to: Maxine Amos
9 Robin Rd.
Lumberton, NC 28358-9177
(910) 738-3309
Email: macmaxx@bellsouth.net

**EXPERIENCE beginning with the most RECENT.
List the experience in each area over the LAST 5 YEARS.**

WOMEN OF THE ELCA

Congregational _____

Conference _____

Synodical Women's Organization _____

Churchwide Women's Organization _____

Significant involvement in Women of the ELCA prior to last 5 years _____

OTHER CHURCH EXPERIENCE

Congregational _____

Synodical _____

Church-at-Large _____

Interdenominational _____

MISCELLANEOUS EXPERIENCE

Occupational _____

Community participation _____

OTHER _____

JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Title: President, North Carolina Synodical Women's Organization Board.

Purpose: The purpose of this position shall be to ensure that all aspects of the Women of the ELCA are administered and carried out according to the organization's constitution.

Responsibilities:

1. Preside at all Conventions of the Synodical Women's Organization and at the meetings of the Board and Administrative Committee.
2. Ensure that the constitution and bylaws of the Synodical Women's Organization are duly observed and that the actions thereof are carried into effect, and appoint all committees not otherwise provided for.
3. Be an ex-officio member of all committee of the Synodical Women's Organization except the Nominating Committee.
4. Assist Secretary in notifying congregational units of the regular convention at least three months in advance and of a special convention at least one month in advance.
5. Submit a report to each regular convention of the Synodical Women's Organization concerning her Work, with observations and recommendations affecting the Synodical Women's Organization.
6. Serve as liaison with the churchwide women's organization and attend the meetings of the Conference of Synodical Presidents.
7. Represent the Synodical Women's organization, or appoint representative to inter-Lutheran and ecumenical associations and councils in which the organization participates.
8. Serve as representative to the Synod Council or appoint a representative.

Time Required: The board generally meets six times a year including two meetings held in conjunction with convention. Preparation time could take from 10-15 hours a week.

Length of Service: The term of office for this position is two years with the person eligible for one re-election.

Qualifications and Skills:

1. Be committed to the mission of the Women of the ELCA.
2. Be an active participant of a unit of the Women of the ELCA.
3. Have the ability to organize, motivate and enable.

JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Title: Treasurer, North Carolina Synodical Women's Organization

Purpose: The purpose of this position shall be to handle accurately the financial actions of the Synodical Women's Organization.

Responsibilities:

1. Provide for the keeping of all records and be accountable for all funds.
2. Be responsible for disbursing funds in accordance with the financial policies of the Women of the ELCA and the budget of the Synodical Women's Organization
3. Present a complete report, including an audit, to the Synodical Women's Organization convention and an interim report at each Board and Administrative Committee meeting.

ARTICLE VIII FINANCIAL MATTERS

Section 1. Fiscal year. The fiscal year and the budget year for this Synodical Women's Organization shall be February 1 through January 31.

Section 2. Annual Budget

- Item 1. The annual budget shall include the Synodical Women's Organization program and operating costs and reflect the interdependent relationship between the Synodical Women's Organization and the churchwide women's organization.
- Item 2. The proposed annual budget shall be presented to the Churchwide Women's Organization Executive Board for information prior to being submitted to the Synodical Women's Organization for adoption.

Section 3. Financial Reports: The Synodical Women's Organization Board shall provide annual financial reports to the congregational/intercongregational units within the organization.

Section 4. Remittances: Regular remittances to the churchwide women's organization according to the established procedures shall reflect the interdependent relationship between the Synodical Women's Organization and the Churchwide Women's Organization.

Section 5. Audit: An annual audit of the Synodical Women's Organization's financial records shall be conducted by a certified public accountant.

Length of service: The treasurer is elected for a two-year term and eligible for re-election.

Time Required: The time needed to do this job varies from day to day. A time line is not feasible. The treasure meets the necessary duties and deadlines as they occur.

Qualifications and Skills:

1. Be committed to the mission of the Women of the ELCA.
2. Be an active participant of a unit of the Women of the ELCA.
3. Be able to keep financial records and to handle receipts and disbursements in a accurate and timely manner.

JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Title: Board Member, North Carolina Synodical Women's Organization (SWO)

Purpose: To conduct the business of the SWO between conventions.

Responsibilities:

1. Chair or co-chair a synodical committee as directed by the President.
2. Perform other duties as the Board may from time to time direct (e.g. submit reports, write newsletter articles, lead workshops, attend events).

Time required: The Board generally meets six times a year including two meetings held in conjunction with the annual convention/gathering. Preparation time could require 10 hours per month.

Term of office: The term of office for this position is two years with eligibility for one re-election to the same position.

Qualifications and skills:

1. Be committed to the mission of the Women of the ELCA.
2. Be an active participant of a unit of the Women of the ELCA.
3. Have the ability to organize, motivate and enable.
4. Be able to travel for meetings on weekends.



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