



Lutheran Women's Missionary Society is made up of mission-minded women of the WELS. As modern Christian women, we follow the biblical

examples of women who shared the same privilege and responsibilities to carry out God's work.

CHRIST LWMS HISTORY

Research indicates that Christ Lutheran has been a member since 1964. It's possible that at that time, membership was by an independent member and not as part of a circuit. The records available from Central Office are very incomplete, so this detail remains unknown.

Treasurer's records from 1974 show that our group was in what was once known as Northern Circuit of the Southwestern Conference. In 1975, this group was split and we became part of the Scenic Coulee Circuit. **IN 1974** there were 13 churches involved: Kirby, Portland, Shennington, Indian Creek, Barre Mills, Kendall, Ontario, Viroqua, Norwalk, Ridgeville, Bangor, Tomah, and West Salem. **TODAY** we consist of 11 active churches: Barre Mills, Burr Oak, Kendall, Ontario, Viroqua, Ridgeville, Tomah, Sparta, Black River Falls (Catarac), West Salem and Bangor.

MISSIONS are a large part of the WELS, and LWMS follows their direction in supporting missions worldwide. Yearly, we support two home and two world missions. These are selected at the International Convention in June. Locally, every spring our circuit votes to support two additional missions.

LWMS ALSO SUPPORTS OUR MISSIONARIES & THEIR FAMILIES though the Befriend A Missionary program. Every two years we are assigned a home and world missionary family in which we are to send them encouraging letters, gift cards and remember them on their birthdays and anniversaries.



Another program that we support is **Central Africa Medical Mission**. Collecting pill bottles, sending baby sun bonnets, light weight receiving blankets, and monetary donations.

The annual June **LWMS International Convention** is an inspiring time to gather with other believers in Christ to hear mission workers stories of the hardships and joys that they and their families experience.

Locally, our Scenic Coulee Circuit hosts a spring and fall rally at various churches within our circuit. There is a speaker who discusses missions and how they were involved.

As part of this church family, you are already a member of LWMS! Therefore, we encourage all women of Christ Lutheran to feel welcome to attend these rallies and hear the story's from people who have been in the mission field. *"The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few."* Luke 10:2 NIV

To connect with a LWMS representative from our church, contact Nancy Lounsborough or Arlene Schroeder



LWMS Fall Rally for the Scenic Coulee Circuit is **October 21st** @ **Faith – Black River Falls**

12:30PM Registration | 1:00 PM Rally



The **56th Annual LWMS Convention** is in Des Moines - Iowa **June 27-30 – 2019**

at the **Community Choice Credit Union Convention Center**
833 5th Avenue

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