



FLASHLIGHT



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"Celebrating the Harvest with Joy"

Vice President District Administration ABC District – Sherley Hearty

As the leaves turn and the fields are gathered in, the season of harvest invites us to pause and reflect—not only on the harvest of the land but also on the fruit of the Spirit in our lives. Harvest reminds us that faith, hard work, and patience bear fruit in God's perfect timing. Whether we are gathering crops from the field or reflecting on the blessings in our lives, this season calls us to recognize God's abundant provision and unwavering faithfulness.

The joy of harvest comes not only from the abundance we receive but also from remembering the journey. There were days of preparation, seasons of waiting, and challenges to overcome. Yet through it all, God remained faithful. As Psalm 126:5 reminds us, "Those who sow with tears will reap with songs of joy." NIV The tears you've cried, the prayers you've offered, and the sacrifices you've made are not wasted. In God's time, they will produce a harvest of righteousness, hope, and joy.

Celebrating the harvest also means sharing our blessings with others. A thankful heart naturally becomes a generous heart. As we gather with family, friends, and our communities, we celebrate not only what we have received but also the opportunity to encourage, serve, and care for one another.

As ladies of the LWMLC, we are blessed with many opportunities to gather in Christian fellowship. Be sure to visit lutheranwomen.ca to find a Fall Rally or Renewal event happening near you. Invite a friend and join together for a day of worship, learning, and celebration.

I also invite you to mark your calendars for Saturday, October 31, when the LWMLC ABC District gathers at Grace Lutheran Church in Calgary, Alberta, for the 2026 LWMLC Seminar. Our theme, "The Lord Is My Song," is based on Isaiah 12:2b and will encourage us through Scripture, music, and fellowship.

If possible, I encourage you to attend in person. Consider economical travel options such as FlixBus or a budget flight, and enjoy a day of growing in faith alongside women from across the district. If you are unable to travel, gather friends from your congregation or community and join us via our live stream. We will provide access to both our YouTube channel and a GoToMeeting link so online participants can also take part in the breakout sessions.

As we celebrate this harvest season, may our hearts overflow with gratitude, our hands remain open in generosity, and our faith continue to grow. May we never forget that every good gift comes from God, and may we use the blessings He has entrusted to us to bless others. Let us rejoice together with thankful hearts, giving all glory and praise to Him. Amen.

In His Service, Sherley Hearty



Christian Growth Committee Member — Pauline Huth

“Celebrating the Harvest with Joy!”

**“Give thanks to the Lord for He is good;
His love endures forever.” 1 Chronicles 16:34 NIV**

Well, at my house, we have had an interesting summer. July began with me having to call 911, as my husband collapsed and it was discovered that he had a very bad bladder infection. He was in and out of hospital most of the month as they could not find an antibiotic that would work for him. By the end of July, he was home and beginning to walk on his own.

On August first, we were visiting with friends and family near Grindrod, BC, and we got a fire alert on our phone. Within an hour we received an order to evacuate. It took us about an hour to return to our home in Vernon so we could put things together. We went back to those friends in Grindrod for the night. We rotated between church friends and family for places to stay. After a week, we got the all clear on Saturday August 8th, to go home, but we were still on Fire Alert. We were so blessed that our power was never out, so the fridge and freezer were still working, and since we are on a separate well and water system our water was safe to drink. In all of this, God was so faithful, and we knew that many friends and family were calling upon God on our behalf. There were many folks both here in BC and other parts of Canada who were struggling with similar events this summer.

At times like these, we need to recall how God provides for His people even when times are tough, and there may not be much of a harvest of good things to reap.

So how can we find “Joy” even when the harvest is not what we had expected? We can give thanks! I remember growing up on the prairies, when the harvest was not always plentiful, but at Thanksgiving, farm families always found something to be thankful for. Giving Thanks to our God who provides for us is one way to find the “Joy” that we may be missing.

Even though this summer did not produce an abundant crop of joy for us each day, it did have its blessing. Joy can also be part of the journey that God has us on. We give thanks to those church friends who took us in while we had no place to go. This fall we will reap the blessings, along with the love and forgiveness that God has bestowed upon us.

The Christian Growth Committee continues to supply monthly devotions and prayer calendars for the LWMLC web page, www.lutheranwomen.ca. We also contribute to the weekly blogs also found on the web page. We are working on putting together a prayer service for next year, and we are also putting together a new booklet that is still in the planning stages. We are preparing for the LWMLC Convention in Regina next summer and hope to see many of you there. You too can spread the joy and blessings by sharing LWMLC devotions and prayer calendars with others who do not have computers or access to those resources on line.

Yes, we can always find “Joy” in praising our God of the Harvest! May you all find Joy in your own harvest of blessings.



Communication Committee Member — Becky Wandio



SEMINAR PLANNED FOR FALL

"The Lord is My Song" based on Isaiah 12:2b – "Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust and not be afraid; for the Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation."

Information for the 2026 seminar coming to our district this fall can be found on pages 4 and 5 in this issue of Flashlight.

LWMLC SUNDAY RESOURCES

Celebrate LWMLC Sunday on the first Sunday of October or pick a date that fits for your congregation. Look for the resources supplied by LWMLC at <https://lutheranwomen.ca/lwml-canada-inc-sunday/> or add your own.



2027 LWML—Canada CONVENTION
July 15-18, 2027 Regina, Saskatchewan
"Go and Tell" (Mark 16:15)

For more information check out the website
<https://lutheranwomen.ca/national-convention/>

REMINDER - MISSION GRANT PROPOSALS REQUIRED BY OCTOBER 31, 2026

The deadline for mission grant proposals is fast approaching!

Proposals for our next triennium are due October 31st and it takes time to put one together.

Does your project focus on people, programs, Christian materials, bricks and mortar?

Does the mission extend the ministry of the Word and God's kingdom and communicate the Word of the Gospel to those who have not heard the Good News of Jesus Christ? Think about a project in as much detail as possible. This will help in the review to determine if they follow the guidelines and are eligible to go on the ballot.

Download the forms and guidelines [here](#).

The theme for the December 1st, 2026
issue of the Flashlight is

"Looking Ahead and Preparing"

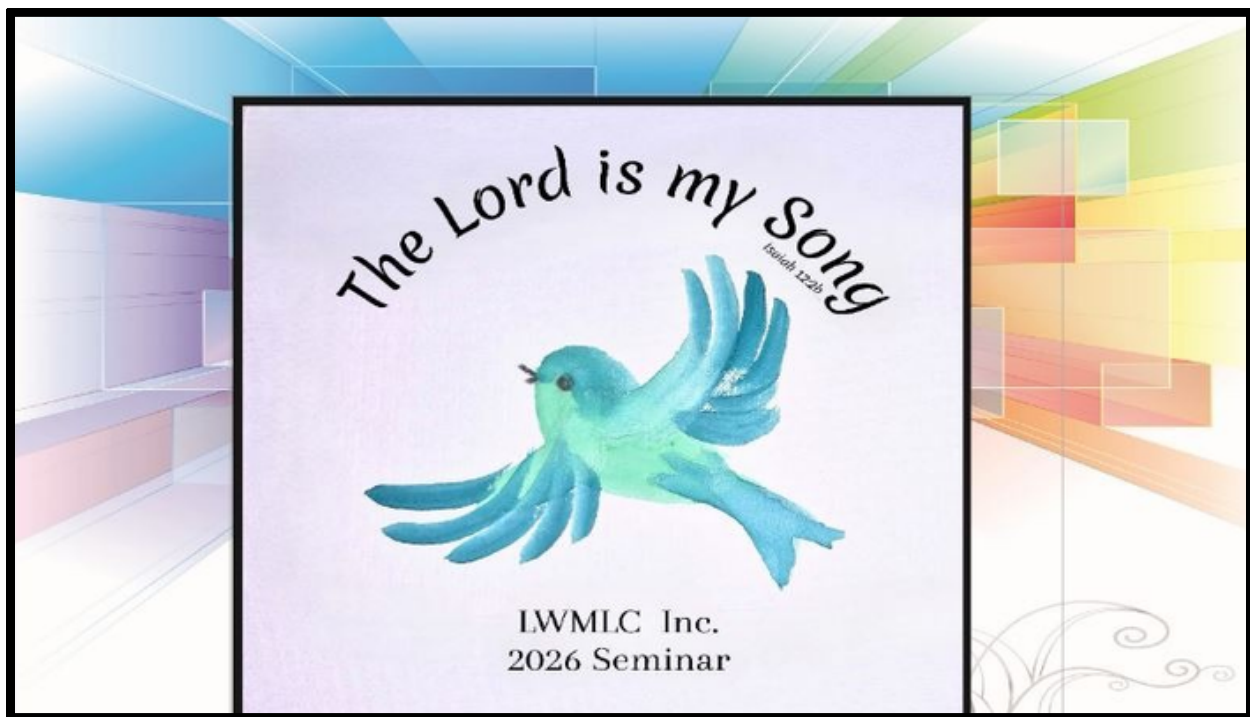
Please remember to submit

Zone and Society news!

Email submissions by November 15, 2026.

Please send to

flashlight.abc.lwmlc@gmail.com



**Members of the Congregation, Friends, and Community are invited to
The Lord is my Song Seminar on Saturday, October 31st.**

Through scripture and song, we will learn and praise our God and have opportunity to share with others the message of God's Love. All ladies, welcome!

Where: Grace Lutheran Church, 3610 Sarcee Rd SW, Calgary, Alberta

When: October 31, 9:30-10:30 (reg. & fellowship) 10:30 am-4 pm (seminar)

Cost: \$50.00 for in-person registration includes morning and afternoon fellowship coffee time, lunch and hardcopy of Seminar Booklet.

\$10.00 per person for live-stream, electronic link and PDF.

Registration payable to: LWMLC Inc. South Alberta Zone, mail to Linda Horton at 90 Sierra Morena Green SW, Calgary, AB T3H 3H8

Gifts of Love (Ingathering): Seniors Secret Service Society

A non-profit organization providing cheer to isolated and lonely seniors since 1985 working hard to ensure vulnerable Calgarians – seniors who are alone and isolated – are not forgotten throughout the year.

Register online [here](#)

Need assistance with registration? Email linda.horton2@shaw.ca
or call Linda Horton at 403-984-2508

Registration and payment deadline is October 16th!



Through scripture and song, we will learn and praise our God and have opportunity to share with others the message of God's Love.
All ladies welcome to the *The Lord is my Song* Seminar.



Profile of VP of Member Development

Committee head of seminar

Ruth Coe feels she has been blessed to work with three remarkable women who have worked hard to present this seminar *The Lord is my Song*.

She is a member of Redeemer Lutheran Church, Hamilton, Ontario. She is a widow, with one daughter and a deceased son, and three cherished granddaughters.

Most of her working days have been spent in the swimming pool teaching various classes how to swim.

She has been a member of LWMLC for many years. She has served as society secretary and president, zone secretary, vice president, president and presently mission grants.

In spare time she enjoys reading, sudoku, jigsaw puzzles, crouching, knitting and a variety of crafts, always looking for a new and different one. Perhaps her motto is jack of all trades, master of none. 1 Corinthians 13:13 For now there are faith, hope, and love, but of these three, the greatest is love. NIV



Profile of Contributors



Judith (Judy) Kathryn Grande was born in Readlyn, Iowa to Reverend Mark and Erna Steege. Her parents moved to Springfield, Illinois in 1947 when her father took the call as a professor at Springfield Seminary. Judy attended a Lutheran School for her elementary education, singing in the school/church choir at the age of 6. She attended Lanphier High School. Judy met John Grande, a seminarian and married June 6, 1963.

Their son, John, was born while in Denver, Colorado for John's Vicarage. Here is where Judy was introduced to LWML/LWMLC. After finishing the final year of seminary they moved to Prentice, Wisconsin where John was ordained into the pastoral ministry.

Their sons Steve and Tom and their daughter Kathy were born while in Prentice. In 1969 they moved to Kakabeka Falls, Ontario. Son David and daughter Jennifer were born during this time, and they became foster parents, parenting 11 children. When asked *which ones are yours Judy's response was they're all ours*. They adopted Aaron, their last foster child.

They lived in Regina, Sask., Cloverdale, BC, and have now retired back in Regina. Judy's involvement in LWMLC included VP Mission Growth and President of Central District and National. She enjoys writing Bible Studies, devotions and even though she cannot play an instrument, God blessed her with writing Christian songs.



Karen Kaija was born in Idaho to Rev. Martin and Jeanne Kaija during his vicarage year. Many moves through her life taught Karen to adjust to new places and situations. After graduation from Brock U in St. Catharines, she moved to Toronto and became an active member at Trinity and served as their organist. Following the death of her mother, whom she helped to take care of, she moved to South Korea to teach English. She attended International Lutheran Church in Seoul, serving as relief organist.

She returned "home" and is an involved member at Our Saviour in Niagara Falls. She serves as a musician and due to the LWMLC group disbanding, she now belongs to the LWMLC society at Christ Lutheran in St. Catharines, Niagara Zone. Thanks be to God!



Jane Jacob attends Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in London Ontario. She is married to Jim and has two daughters, Julia and Erin. Jane got her Master of Theological Studies (MTS) from Concordia Lutheran Theological Seminary (CLTS) in 2021. She was a contributor to the seminar Oaks of Righteousness



MISSION TRIP 2025



Sherley Hearty, LWMLC VPDA ABC; Linda Long, LWMLC Parliamentarian; LWMLC President Marilyn Witte, Jill Munoz, LWMLC VP Christian Growth visited the Philippines in late November and early December of 2025. We were graciously hosted by Rev. Antonio Reyes, the President of the Philippine Lutheran Church and his wife, Arlene, Advisor to PLWL (Philippine Lutheran Women's League).

Thank you to everyone who joined the Mission Team on June 6, 2026, for our webinar of our Mission trip to the Philippines. If you could not attend live, the recording can be found on LutheranWomen.ca website under Download on Demand Resources [SERVICE IN MISSION - LWMLC Mission trip 2025 to The Philippines](#) or speak with any of the team members for a personal recap.

In June 2026 President Marilyn Witte and Sherley Hearty had the privilege to meet again with Rev. Reyes and his wife, Arlene, and to be present at the LCC 13th Regular Convention in Winnipeg, Manitoba where the president of the Lutheran Church in the Philippines (LCP) addressed the convention, celebrating LCC's declaration of fellowship with their church. "The unity of the church is not something we create," LCP President Antonio del Rio Reyes noted. "It is a gift that God has given through Christ Jesus. We are one because Christ is one, and we share one faith because we have one Gospel. ... We also give special thanks and praise to God for graciously leading our churches to a godly, Spirit-filled agreement to officially establish altar and pulpit fellowship."

The following is Rev. Reyes' greeting to the assembly, reprinted with his permission.



**Greetings and Message from Rev. Antonio Reyes,
Lutheran Church of the Philippines to
LCC 13th Regular Convention**

Dear President Timothy Teuscher, my fellow pastors, lay delegates, and dear brothers and sisters in Christ:

On behalf of the Lutheran Church in the Philippines, I bring you warm Christian greetings in the name of our crucified, risen, ascended and returning Lord Jesus. We are deeply grateful for your gracious invitation to be part of this Thirteenth Regular Convention of the Lutheran Church–Canada and for the opportunity to share words of encouragement in this gathering.

We thank you for the privilege of extending greetings under the theme, “Together One.” Your invitation is a visible expression of the fellowship we share in Christ and of the bond of faith that unites our church bodies in the confession of His saving Gospel.

The apostle Paul writes: “There is one body and one Spirit ... one Lord, one faith, one Baptism, one God and Father of all.” These words remind us that the unity of the Church is not something we create. It is a gift that God has given through Christ. We are one because Christ is one, and we share one faith because we have one Gospel.

This unity is evident in the fellowship shared between the Lutheran Church–Canada and the Lutheran Church in the Philippines. We thank God that our church bodies stand together in confessing the Holy Scriptures as the inspired, inerrant, and trustworthy Word of God, the only norm and standard for our faith and life. We also rejoice that we share the same subscription to the Lutheran Confessions in the Book of Concord (quia) because they are the correct explanation and exposition of the Word of God.

We give special thanks and praise to God for graciously leading our churches to a godly, Spirit-filled agreement to officially establish altar-pulpit fellowship. This is a significant blessing from the Lord and a joyful public recognition of the unity in doctrine and confession that He has granted among us. Through His Holy Word and Sacraments, the Holy Spirit continues to call, gather, enlighten, and sanctify His Church. We rejoice that the same Spirit is at work in both our church bodies through these means of grace, strengthening faith, preserving sound doctrine, and advancing Christ’s kingdom.

Your theme, “Together One,” reminds us that true unity is found not in compromise, but in the truth of God’s Word. In a world where there is increasing pressure to reshape the message of Scripture, we are called to remain steadfast in the faith once delivered to the saints. The Church remains one when Christ is faithfully preached and His Sacraments are rightly administered.

As you conclude this convention, we pray that the Lord will bless your plans, grant wisdom to your newly elected church leaders, strengthen your unity in the truth, and that the Lord, the Lord of the harvest, will continue to use the Lutheran Church–Canada for the proclamation of the Gospel.

Congratulations and may God bless us all in Jesus’ name!

Finance Committee Member — Rachel Abrahamson

Lutheran Women's Missionary League-Canada Revenue Report to Jul 31, 2026			
Revenue	Current Jul 1 – 31, 2026	Trienium April 1, 2024 – Mar.31, 2027	Budget April 1, 2024 – Mar.31, 2027
Growing in Faith			
Sale of LWMLC Resources	\$ 54.29	\$ 11,127.90	\$ 18,900.00
Sale of 2024 Convention Video	\$ -	\$ 50.00	
Putting Faith into Action			
** Mites	\$ 5,909.12	\$ 261,570.84	\$ 270,000.00
Gifts for Growth - Honorauium/Memorial	\$ 100.00	\$ 15,343.75	\$ 10,000.00
★ Flexi GIC - Reinvestment	\$ -	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 8,000.00
★ Flexi GIC - Interest Reinvested	\$ -	\$ 1,588.61	\$ -
★ GfG & Gertrude Pollex - Interest Reinvested	\$ -	\$ 15,854.70	\$ 7,425.00
★ Gifts for Growth & Gertrude Pollex - Bursaries	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	
Encouraging One Another in Faith			
Advertising Income - Tapestry	\$ 805.00	\$ 11,614.55	\$ 16,000.00
Subscription Income - Tapestry	\$ 25.00	\$ 33,961.01	\$ 70,000.00
Working Together in Faith			
Convention 2024 Registration	\$ -	\$ 48,890.00	\$ 104,000.00
Convention 2024 Sponsorship	\$ -	\$ 2,150.00	
** Convention 2024 Offerings	\$ -	\$ 13,045.01	\$ 22,000.00
Convention 2021 Revenue - deferred	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,666.00
GST Rebate (50%)	\$ -	\$ 5,713.41	\$ 3,300.00
Investment Support	\$ -		\$ 46,150.00
TOTAL (including deferred)	\$ 6,893.41	\$ 428,466.47	\$ 581,441.00
Bank Statement	\$ 6,893.41		
Variance	\$ -		
Prepared 2026-07-21 by Penny Bobier, Financial Secretary			
* 2024 Convention Registration - Deferred	\$ 6,900.00		
* 2024 Convention Offerings - Deferred	\$ 40.00		
* 2024 Convention Mite Offerings - Deferred	\$ 20.00		
Total Deferred	\$ 6,960.00		
** Year to date Mites (Convention #1 and Mites to date)			
	\$ 261,570.84		
Convention Offering # 1 and Mission Movement	\$ 13,835.93		
Mite offerings to date	\$ 247,734.91		
2024 Convention Report	Current	Trienium (YTD&Deferred)	
2024 Convention Registration	\$ -	\$ 48,990.00	
2024 Convention Sponsorship	\$ -	\$ 2,150.00	
2024 Convention Offerings 2, 3 and ingatherings	\$ -	\$ 13,045.01	
Offering #1 Mites (including Mission Movement pledges of \$7,349.95)	\$ -	\$ 13,335.93	
Total Convention	\$ -	\$ 77,920.94	

★ Not included in Deposits

Finance Committee Member — Rachel Abrahamson

Lutheran Women's Missionary League—Canada Inc. Working Expense Budget 2024 - 2027

	<u>Current Expenses</u>	<u>YTD Expenses</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>
	July 1, 2026 - July.31, 2026	April 1, 2024 July. 31, 2026	April 1 2024 Mar 31 2027
<u>Growing in Faith</u>			
Christian Growth Committee	\$ -	\$ 58.00	\$ 2,500.00
Resource Centre Stock	\$ -	\$ 8,716.94	\$ 10,500.00
Resource Centre Administration	\$ 19.44	\$ 936.42	\$ 4,000.00
Subtotals	\$ 19.44	\$ 9,711.36	\$ 17,000.00
<u>Putting Faith Into Action</u>			
Christian Mission Committee	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,500.00
Gifts for Growth Fund	\$ -	\$ 14,693.75	\$ 7,500.00
Flexi GIC	\$ -	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 6,991.00
Mission Grants	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 172,381.11	\$ 251,200.00
Bursary & Sem. Student Support	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 7,500.00
Convention Offerings Payout	\$ -	\$ 13,045.01	\$ 20,000.00
Subtotals	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 225,119.87	\$ 295,691.00
<u>Encouraging One Another in Faith</u>			
Communication Committee	\$ -	\$ 210.00	\$ 2,500.00
Tech Support & Education	\$ 34.03	\$ 10,312.20	\$ 20,000.00
Member Development Committee	\$ -	\$ 72.14	\$ 2,500.00
Tapestry	\$ -	\$ 35,307.71	\$ 64,000.00
Subtotals	\$ 34.03	\$ 45,902.05	\$ 89,000.00
<u>Working Together in Faith</u>			
Advertising	\$ -	\$ 4,311.57	\$ 5,000.00
Bank Charges/Visa/MC	\$ 40.00	\$ 1,943.76	\$ 3,000.00
Convention Expenses - 2024	\$ -	\$ 85,454.75	\$ 94,150.00
Convention Expenses - 2027	\$ -	\$ 634.55	\$ -
Board Directors Expenses	\$ -	\$ 10,229.36	\$ 7,500.00
Board Directors Meetings	\$ -	\$ 4,713.01	\$ 10,000.00
Inter Committee Meeting	\$ -	\$ 14,574.33	\$ 30,000.00
GST	\$ 2.51	\$ 5,116.61	\$ 3,500.00
Liability Insurance	\$ -	\$ 4,515.00	\$ 5,000.00
Miscellaneous	\$ -	\$ 2,828.05	\$ -
Professional Fees	\$ -	\$ 10,842.45	\$ 8,300.00
Resource Centre Rent	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
District Support from LWMLC	\$ 80.00	\$ 2,273.80	\$ 15,000.00
Subtotals	\$ 122.51	\$ 149,437.24	\$ 184,450.00
TOTAL EXPENSES:	<u>\$ 8,175.98</u>	<u>\$ 430,170.52</u>	<u>\$ 586,141.00</u>

Prepared August 8, 2026

Linda Horton - LWML—Canada Inc., Treasurer

Finance Committee Member — Rachel Abrahamson

LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE - CANADA FINANCIAL POSITION July. 31, 2026

CIBC Bank Balance at June 30, 2026	\$ 57,181.59	General Funds	\$56,531.59
Gifts For Growth Fund & Pollex Bursary	\$ 123,288.22	Designated Funds	\$650.00
CIBC Flexi GIC	\$ 33,551.44	Gifts F.Growth Fund & Pollex B.	\$123,288.22
Total:	\$214,021.25	CIBC Flexi GIC	\$33,551.44
		Total:	\$214,021.25

Change In Cash Position

Previous GL Balance at June. 30, 2026	\$ 58,464.16
Deposits July. 1, 2026 to July. 31, 2026	\$ 6,893.41
Expenses July. 1, 2026 to July. 31, 2026	\$ (8,175.98)
G/L Balance at July. 31, 2026	\$ 57,181.59

Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce

Flexi GIC 12 mo @ 2.25% (Net balance @ May 20, 2025)	\$ 32,911.03
Interest Earned May 20, 2025 to May 20, 2026	\$ 640.41
Deposits	\$ -
Less: Withdrawals	\$ -
CIBC Flexi GIC as at May 30, 2026	\$ 33,551.44

Gifts For Growth Fund & Pollex Bursary:

Net balance as at April 1, 2024	\$ 97,739.77
(Gifts For Growth \$61,911.36 and Pollex B. \$35,528.41)	
Deposits-Gifts For Growth Fund from CIBC-Apr.1/24-Mar.31/27	\$ 14,693.75
Investment Returns: April 1, 2024 - March 31, 2027	\$ 19,704.94
Unrealized Gains & (Losses): April 1,2024 -March 31,2027	\$ (1,725.25)
LFC Administration Fee (0.60% of fund per year/Mar.31/27	\$ (1,287.13)
Investment Management Fee:April 1, 2024 - March 31, 2027	\$ (837.86)
Withdrawals-Bursary & Sem Students (Apr.1/24-Mar.31/27)	\$ (5,000.00)
Gifts For Growth & Pollex B. Balance May 31, 2026	\$ 123,288.22
(Gifts For Growth \$86,549.25 and Pollex B. \$36,738.97)	

Less:

Designated Funds:

Convention Offerings	\$ -
Gifts For Growth	\$ 650.00
TOTAL Designated Funds:	\$ 650.00

TOTAL General Funds:	\$ 56,531.59
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Prepared by:

Linda Horton - LWML-Canada Inc., Treasurer

August. 8, 2026

News from the Zones and Societies

Trinity Lutheran Society, Richmond, BC



Trinity Lutheran Church LWMLC, Richmond, BC had several members working on the completion of a banner which was delivered by their LAMP mission team in August 2026 to the Gingolx Indigenous community in Northern B.C. The banner is entitled “Fishers of Men” which highlights the large fishing influence of the community. This will be the third year the team will be travelling to this isolated community to reforge connections and continue God’s work there.



Braydan Pastucha (LAMP attendee), Joan MacKenzie, Carole Schick Gettle, Betty Biberdorf (project co-ordinator), Gina Moskal, Judy Hoos

September 2026 Prayer Calendar

Weekday'	Date	Prayer
Tuesday	1	"Christ be my Leader by night as by day." (#861 LSB vs 1)
Wednesday	2	Dear Lord, make me a cheerful giver this week.
Thursday	3	Grant all teachers and students a peaceful and successful school year.
Friday	4	Dear Lord, be with all those traveling for this long weekend.
Saturday	5	"Make me a channel of Your peace" (St. Francis of Assisi)
Sunday	6	"Open now Thy gates of beauty, Zion, let me enter there." (#901 LSB vs 1)
Labour Day, Monday	7	Labour Day – Lord be with everyone in the workforce, let their efforts be fruitful.
Tuesday	8	I praise Your constant love, help me to share your love today.
Wednesday	9	Dear Lord, be with the deaconesses in Cambodia, let our mites be impactful in their work.
Thursday	10	Help me to be still and know that You are God.
Friday	11	Lord forgive me when I don't live my life according to Your will, thank you for Your love.
Saturday	12	Thank you for all healthcare workers, give them patience and kindness.
Grandparents Day, Sunday	13	Grandparents Day - Thank you, God, for grandparents and grandchildren! What a blessing both are.
Monday	14	Thanks be to God for our church leaders and the guidance they provide.
Tuesday	15	I praise You for Your constant love, let me share Your love today.
Wednesday	16	Lord, let my mites make a difference in Nicaragua and the lives of church leaders there.
Thursday	17	Dear Lord, help us: "be still before the Lord, and wait patiently for Him." (Psalm 37:7)
Friday	18	Thank you, God, for forgiving my sins. Help me to forgive others.
Saturday	19	Guide our Sunday School Teachers to faithfully share Your Word as they begin a new year.
Sunday	20	"Restore unto me the joy of Your salvation" (Psalm 51:12)
Int'l Day of Peace, Monday	21	Intl Day of Peace - "The Lord bless and keep you... and give you peace." (Num 6:24, 26b)
Tuesday	22	Be with us as the seasons change, support us through the seasons of our lives.
Wednesday	23	Allow our mites to support and help grow Your church through the Ethiopian outreach.
Thursday	24	"The Lord will watch over your coming and going for now and forevermore." (Psalm 121:8)
Friday	25	Dear Lord, thank you for Your guidance throughout this week.
Saturday	26	"Christ be my Saviour in calm as in strife." (#861 LSB vs3)
Sunday	27	"Create in me a clean heart O Lord and renew a right spirit within me" (Psalm 51:10)
Monday	28	Be with our pastors, help give them an opportunity for rest from all of their labour.
Tuesday	29	Lord let me be a faithful servant, praying "Thy will be done".
Day of Truth & Reconciliation	30	Day of Truth and Reconciliation – Help us to love one another as You first loved us.