



April 7, 2020

## Set Your Eyes on Jesus

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

It is with heavy heart I share with you that, due to the COVID-19 situation in our world right now, with prayer and consideration of convention attendees, the LWML South Dakota Executive Committee (EC) has determined that we will cancel the LWML South Dakota District's 61<sup>st</sup> Convention May 29–30, 2020 in Yankton, SD.

I know that conventions are such a highlight for many of us. I was really looking forward to sharing this time with you with opportunities for servant events; bringing our Gifts from the Heart; worshipping and participating in the Lord's Supper together; hearing our guest speakers and mission speakers; meeting our new LWML President, Debbie Larson; hearing convention reports from our Young Woman Representatives and Heart to Heart Sisters District leader; laughing, walking, and feasting together; supporting our mission through offerings and mite bites, and so much more!

Some of you are going to be relieved that you don't need to make a decision about attending in these uncertain times and some of you will be very disappointed. I am feeling these emotions too.

Even as we won't gather together at convention, we are still led by the Holy Spirit as we set our eyes on Jesus and share His love with the world. I encourage you to continue to be "Held by God's Word" and Sacraments (when you are able to participate in Holy Communion again); be "Inspired to share His Gospel" with others; and look for ways to use your gifts and talents to serve the Lord as you are "Surrounded by His Grace".

So how do we "take care of business"?

According to our bylaws, the EC will come up with a plan to take care of convention business that requires delegate vote, then have it approved by the LWML SD District Board of Directors. We will share this information with you when it is finalized.

**It is important that each unit send their delegate registration/certification form to Heather Miller by May 1, 2020.** You can find this in the Call to Convention which can be found on [sdlwml.org](http://sdlwml.org). (She has already received some — thank you to those societies/units!)

Trusting in His promises!  
Lisa Asmus  
LWML South Dakota District President



*Trust in the Lord with all your heart, And lean not on your own understanding; In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He shall direct your paths (Proverbs 3:5- 6 NKJV).*

*Looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith (Hebrews 12:2a).*

*Serve the LORD with gladness! (Psalm 100:2).*