

## THE PURPOSE OF WOMEN'S MINISTRY COMMITTEE

### Our Purpose

Motivated by the gospel, WELS Women's Ministry exists to assist our congregations in nurturing, encouraging, and equipping women to faithfully and fully use their God given gifts to glorify God.

- Edify women regarding Scriptural truths and principles to serve as part of the universal priesthood of believers using God given gifts and talents to the fullest both in the ecclesiastic and secular realms.
- Encourage women to fully honor headship as Scripture teaches and as the blessing from God it is for women.
- Encourage and support Christian brothers as they take responsibility for headship in the congregation, home, and society.

**WELS Women's Ministry**

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### Points for Women:

- Provide quality resource materials by or for women that are theologically sound (reviewed by a theological review team before we publish them) and which reflect our Lutheran, Christ-centered doctrine.
- Teach women about their high calling as women created for a unique purpose and service in this life both in the secular and ecclesiastical realms.
- Contrast the secular view of women's calling in society with God's calling to the universal priesthood of believers.
- Be a resource for women as they struggle to live lives of Christian service in an increasingly hostile world.

### Points for Christian brothers in the called ministry:

- Identify women with gifts for service in all capacities within the church and encourage them to use them in Scriptural ways.
- Identify and encourage especially those who will be good leaders and mentors for the next generation. Encourage them to become involved in women's ministries and to attend the women's Christian leadership conferences hosted by the Women's Ministry Committee.
- Avoid the use of the word "role" in conversations on the topic of men and women serving together. It carries a negative society imposed connotation on what women can/can't do. Rather use the Scriptural words "calling" or "chosen" to describe and emphasize God's authority, order, and blessing as he created men and women as complementary not competitive creatures who work together to serve him.
- As WMC uses the word "ministry" it's a synonym for "service".
- As WMC uses the word "leadership" it emphasizes the responsibility and foot washing service of Christ-like leadership. It is not used with any connotation of power.

Find all our resources and more information about the  
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