



**WOMEN
OF THE ELCA
Purpose
Statement**

As a community of women created in the image of God, called to discipleship in Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit,

We commit ourselves to grow in faith, affirm our gifts, support one another in our callings, engage in ministry and action, and promote healing and wholeness in the Church, the society, and the world.

WELCA NEWS March 2026

Get ready for a month of service, fellowship and fun, ladies! The WELCA Board and Leadership Team has exciting events we want to invite you to:

1. **March 8th Bold Women's Day** – Celebrate all the amazing women in your life who have helped you on your faith journey by sending them a note, treat them to coffee or lunch, call them, or pray for them. A special church service is also planned.

2. **March 18th Lenten Meal** – Get ready to put on your aprons, ladies, and help make and service this Wednesday night meal. We are planning on serving Tator Tot Hot Dish – YUM! We will need volunteers to help prepare the hot dish and desserts, as well as serve that night. If you would like to help, please contact Lara Dando at (701) 213-3086. Thank you!



3. **March 21st Quilting Day** – A day of quilting, fellowship and service has been planned from 9:30 am to 2:30 pm in the basement quilting rooms. Snacks and a light lunch will be offered for those who come to explore the world of quilting. No experience necessary and all are welcome! These quilts will be donated to Lutheran World Relief this spring!

4. **April 18th Spring Salad Luncheon** – Back by popular demand, we are going to raffle off gift baskets as part of this fundraiser, and we need your help! If you would like to donate a basket (or two) or have questions about what to put in one, please contact Lara Dando or Debbie Watts by March 15th. Completed baskets can be dropped off in the church office by March 18th.



5. **Rhubarb Cookbook** – Yes, you read that right!! Genny Olson has volunteered to spearhead the creation of an all-rhubarb cookbook to help celebrate our church's 75th anniversary that will be sold at our June 13th Rhubarb Festival. If you have an old or new recipe that features rhubarb, we would love to include it! Genny will have a folder outside the church office where you can place your typed or neatly printed recipe that must include your name (so you can get credit for it) and all pertinent ingredients and cooking instructions. It can be a recipe used in a previous church cookbook! Cooks, you have until our April 15th deadline.

For more information about WELCA here at ULC and the activities planned, please do not hesitate to contact Lara Dando or Debbie Watts. We look forward to serving our Lord, strengthening our faith, and getting to know you better this month.

Peace be with you all,
Lara Dando and Debbie Watts, Co-Presidents