



# Oregon Leaguer

## Special Edition: Fall Retreat News 2023

### RETREAT

Per the Mirriam-Webster dictionary one of the meanings for retreat is:

A period of group withdrawal for prayer, meditation, study, or instruction under a director.

**WHO:** The Lutheran Women in Mission (LWML), Oregon District

**WHAT:** Biennial Christian Life Retreat

**WHEN:** September 22 - 24, 2023

**WHERE:** Aldersgate Retreat Center in Turner, OR

**WHY:** This is the first time we will be holding an overnight retreat since the lockdowns for COVID-19. This edition of the *Oregon Leaguer* will give you more information of what to expect, but also be ready for surprises along the way.

So, consider joining us as we contemplate —

**60** Arise, shine, for your light has come,  
and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.  
<sup>2</sup> For behold, darkness shall cover the earth,  
and thick darkness the peoples;  
but the LORD will arise upon you,  
and his glory will be seen upon you.  
<sup>3</sup> And nations shall come to your light,  
and kings to the brightness of your rising.

Isaiah 60:1-3

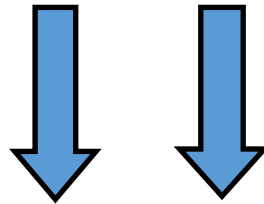




Registration documents for  
LWML Oregon District Retreat  
September 22-24, 2023

At  
Aldersgate Retreat Center  
7790 Marion Rd SE  
Turner, OR 97392

Organized by LWML Oregon District  
Christian Life Committee



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**Don't miss out! Sign up for a wonderful weekend.  
Closing date for registration is August 30, 2023.**



# Registration Form

## LWML Oregon District Retreat

September 22-24, 2023

Aldersgate Retreat Center

7790 Marion Rd SE Turner, Oregon 97392

[www.aldersgateretreat.com](http://www.aldersgateretreat.com)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ (You will receive your confirmation via email)

Aldersgate rooms are based on 2 person occupancy. (3 if someone wants a bunk) - which includes a bathroom. Check the website for details of each option for accommodations.

★ Rooms will be assigned randomly, or you can indicate Roommate(s) Preference Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

### ACCOMMODATIONS AND RATES

Check your Choice	Lodge	2 + per room	Linens	5 Meals	Per Person Rate	ADD Registration Fee	Fees
	Aldersgate/ Maple Cottage	2 + per room	Linens included	5 Meals	217.00 +	53.00 registration fee	270.00
	Pinewood	2 + Per room	Linens included	5 Meals	217.00 +	53.00 registration fee	270.00
	Pinewood	2 + Per room	No Linens	5 Meals	197.00 +	53.00 registration fee	250.00
	RV/Tent	NA	No Linens	5 Meals	120.00 +	53.00 registration fee	173.00
	Single Occupancy	1 person per room			Add \$40.00 for 2 nights		\$40.00 additional fee for single room
	Day Rate					150.00	150.00
						Total Fees →	

### Special Dietary Needs

### Check Here

Gluten Free	
Dairy Free	
Vegetarian	
Vegetarian and Gluten Free	
Vegan	
Vegan and Gluten Free	
No Nuts	
Other, Please Explain	

Registration closes August 30<sup>th</sup>. Sign up today!

Make check to be payable to the LWML Oregon District. Send registration, health form, and checks to Judy Chase, PO Box. #1094 Wilsonville, OR 97070

If you have questions call Judy Chase @ 503 841-2703 or Lynne Beck @ 503 812-5258

- Aldersgate Retreat Center has a policy which states: no smoking inside buildings, no alcohol, and no pets except service dogs.



**LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE  
OREGON DISTRICT  
PARTICIPANT INFORMATION, ACKNOWLEDGMENT,  
ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND RELEASE  
PARTICIPANT INFORMATION**

The purpose of this Participant Information, Acknowledgment, Assumption of Risk and Release is to identify each person ("Participant") who wishes to volunteer with the Lutheran Women's Missionary League Oregon District ("LWML Oregon District") or to participate in LWML Oregon District-sponsored or LWML Oregon District-related activities. As a condition to becoming a Participant, LWML Oregon District requires you to provide the following information and to release LWML Oregon District from any liability for your safety and wellbeing when volunteering for LWML Oregon District and while participating in any LWML Oregon District-sponsored or LWML Oregon District-related activities, including optional activities scheduled in conjunction with conventions or any meetings. LWML Oregon District may copy this form for use at optional activities. Please complete, scan, and email to [Judy.Chase@frontier.com](mailto:Judy.Chase@frontier.com) or print, complete, and mail to Judy Chase, OR District Lutheran Women in Mission, PO Box 1094, Wilsonville, OR 97070.

Name/Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\*Allergies and Other Known Health Risks/Problems: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\*Person to Contact in the Event of an Emergency (Name, Address, Telephone Number(s), Relationship):

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**LWML recommends leaving all verbiage in the General and Photo Release sections as is. Changing the wording may diminish the effectiveness of the release.**

### **GENERAL RELEASE**

The undersigned acknowledges and agrees as follows: LWML Oregon District assumes no, and disclaims all, liability for my safety and well-being while I am a Participant. In consideration of LWML Oregon District permitting me to be a Participant, I (a) acknowledge and agree that LWML Oregon District cannot and does not accept any (and expressly disclaims all) responsibility for my safety and well-being; and (b) waive all claims arising from my volunteering for LWML Oregon District and participation in LWML Oregon District-sponsored or LWML Oregon District-related activities. Knowing and understanding the risks relating to my being a Participant, I release and discharge LWML Oregon District, its directors, officers, employees, and agents from all claims, demands, actions and causes of action that I may have, now or in the future, relating to or resulting from any illness or injuries (including death), loss or damage suffered by me while I am a Participant.

- (a) I am voluntarily participating in LWML Oregon District-sponsored or LWML Oregon District-related activities and/or volunteering for LWML Oregon District for my personal benefit and the value of such

benefit is sufficient consideration for my voluntary execution of, and compliance with, this Participant Information, Acknowledgment, Assumption of Risk and Release.

- (b) LWML Oregon District cannot and does not accept any (and expressly disclaims all) responsibility for my safety and well-being while I am volunteering for LWML Oregon District or engaged in any LWML Oregon District event or activity.

### **PHOTO RELEASE**

I grant to LWML Oregon District and its assigns the right and permission to take photographs and audio and video recordings during my participation, and to retain, publish and distribute, without charge or fee, such photographs and audio and video recordings. Without limiting the foregoing, I agree that these images and recordings may be used in publications, including electronic publications and websites, and in audio-visual presentations, promotional literature, advertising, and in other similar ways.

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

PRINTED NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT'S SIGNATURE (if under 18): \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

PRINTED NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

## What to bring to Arise! Shine! Oregon District LWML Retreat

- Each zone should prepare a skit, song, or poem, for presentation at the fire pit Saturday night.
- Sheets, blankets, pillow, and towels needed ONLY if you signed up to bring your own.
- Bible
- Walking shoes- the grounds are beautiful. There are flat areas to walk around but also hilly ones too. Mite Walk Saturday Morning 7:15. Mite Box will be out.
- Humor, smiles, laughter, and a cooperative spirit.
- Ingathering: Zion Corvallis Lutheran School (2800 NW Tyler Ave, Corvallis OR 97330) has enough students to have a separate first and second grade this year. They would like to provide books for a classroom library for the first grade. Please bring easy reader books and beginner readers for our ingathering. No board books needed. Check the internet for ideas - **“first grade books.”**

Optional Items to bring:

- Bring a delicious dessert for our Fancy Dessert Social Friday Night. (Need a diabetic dessert or 2.) Refrigeration is limited.
- Bring a snack for Saturday.
- Bring **some** ‘Purple Elephant’ items to donate to sell. Money for purchases go to mites.
- Participate in a book exchange. Bring devotional books you are finished with and would like to donate. Select new ones that you would use. Leftover books will be donated to homeless shelters.

What will we be doing at the retreat?

- Having fun!
- Bible study with Mary J Smith
- Crafts for fall decor
- Walks and talks with friends
- Bon Fire (weather permitting)
- Fancy Dessert Social
- Singing, laughing, and relaxing with quiet chats



# Purple-Elephant Table at Retreat

A Purple-Elephant Table? Yes, the Oregon District Christian Life Committee is planning a Purple-Elephant Table for the September retreat. Priscilla Greig will be maintaining the table of LWML items — all those special items that you would like to share with your sisters in Christ.

What kind of items?

Mustard Seed packets. Aprons. Convention bags. LWML bears. Devotionals. Rain ponchos. Note pads. Pencils. Convention charms. Prayer pads, and any other items you might wish to contribute!

Truly, the list might be endless — items you would like to share, but haven't found a source to do so. Bring them to the retreat. You might find an item you've wanted or have thought about getting. Have fun going shopping and in exchange, give to mite offerings.

## Let's fill the Mite Box!







Maple Cottage



Pinewood Lodge

Come have  
fun with  
your LWML  
Friends  
September  
22-24, 2023



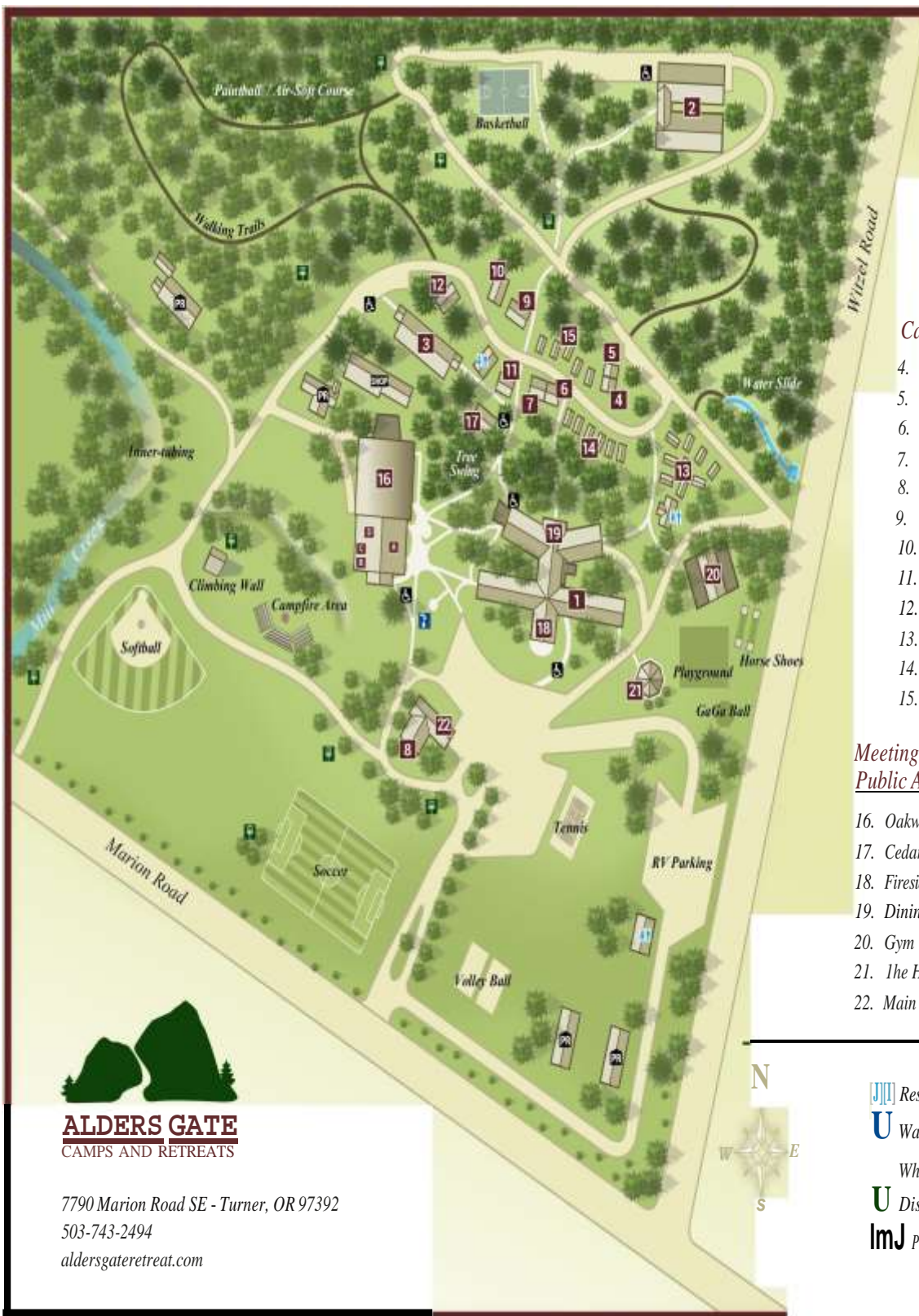
Aldersgate Main Lodge, Meeting  
Rooms, and Dining Hall



Choose your lodge-  
Choose your  
roommates or be  
assigned a room  
randomly and meet  
new friends.

For more information about Aldersgate go to:  
[www.aldersgateretreat.com](http://www.aldersgateretreat.com)





## Legend

### Lodges

1. Aldersgate
2. Fircrest
3. Pinewood

### Cabins

4. Aspen
5. Birch
6. Cottonwood
7. Hickory
8. Maple Cottage
9. Poplar
10. Sequoia
11. Spruce
12. Willow
13. A-Frames 1-9
14. A-Frames 10-15
15. A-Frames 16-20

### Meeting Rooms- Public Areas

16. Oakwood Auditorium
17. Cedarwood Chapel
18. Fireside Room
19. Dining Hall
20. Gym
21. The Hub
22. Main Office

## **ALDERS GATE** CAMPS AND RETREATS

7790 Marion Road SE - Turner, OR 97392  
503-743-2494  
aldersgateretreat.com

 Restrooms

 Water Fountain

 Wheelchair Access

 Disc Golf

 Private Residence

## OFFICER CONTACT INFORMATION

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## Mission Statement

As Lutheran Women in Mission, we joyfully proclaim Christ, support missions, and equip women to honor God by serving others.

## Oregon District Mission Statement

Lutheran Women in Mission will, by God's grace, ignite, involve, equip and encourage women of the Oregon District to express their faith as servants of the Triune God through joyful Christian Ministry.

## ZONE PRESIDENTS

**Emerald Zone**—Delores Feddersen

**Interstate Zone**—Joyce Twiss

**Juniper Zone Contact**—Pat Reck

**Mt. Hood Zone**—Connie Adams

**Myrtlewood Zone**—Joan Mahaffy

**Pacific Zone**—Nicole Knutson

**Southern Zone**—Janis Arnsdorf

**West Hills Zone**—Judy Chase

**Willamette Zone**—Karen Clark

## LWML Goal

Each woman of the LCMS is the Heart of LWML. Christ is in the heart of each woman as she engages in mission education, mission inspiration, mission service, and mission support. Each woman of the LCMS is invited to embrace her role as a Lutheran Woman in Mission.

*"As a Lutheran Woman in Mission, I will share the joy and wonder of what is done through the LWML by the grace of God — the resources created, the missions supported, and the ministries provided."*