

2025 Report of the Committee on Reference and Council

The Committee on Reference and Council of the 37th Annual Convention of the Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America recommends the following resolutions:

1. We express our sincere appreciation to St. Paul Lutheran Church in Aiken, SC for being a gracious host and allowing us to use their facilities for our 2025 convention this year and for their support of the Women of the Evangelical Church in America.
2. We express our thanks to the officers and Board members and the convention planning committee for planning and executing a successful convention.
3. We express our gratitude to the Western conference of South Carolina for providing the convention attendees with delicious snacks, drinks, and setting up for the wonderful banquet.
4. Our sincere appreciation is extended to Gwendolynn Edwards, Churchwide Women's Organization Representative, for her attendance, support, and remarks.
5. Our joyous praise is lifted to our convention musicians for leading the joyful and uplifting music during the convention.
6. We extend our praise and thanksgiving to Pastor Rebecca Wicker for being our convention chaplain with our theme of Renew, Refresh, Remember.
7. We express our thanks to our keynote speakers, Dr. Cathy Mieczak speaking about Tanzania, and Lisa Isenhower presenting about Colombia ELCC.
8. Our sincere appreciation is given to all who so willingly led convention workshops, guidance to the workshops by volunteers, greetings brought from various Lutheran organizations over our state, and to Joy Derrick, who provided us with evening devotions at the hotel.
9. We extend a special thanks to Encounters in Time our wonderful musical entertainment Friday evening.
10. We express deep appreciation to all South Carolina Women of the ELCA who participated in convention projects, for all those sharing offerings and prayers, and for acting boldly on their faith in Jesus Christ.
11. We thank God for our newly elected officers and Board members. We also are thankful for the service of our outgoing officers and Board members who gave of their time and talents so generously.


 