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Growing Katie's Fund for the next 100 years

Mother's Day Challenge in support of Katie's Fund!

The Leadership Team of the Katie's Fund Endowment Campaign is pleased to announce a \$25,000 Mother's Day Challenge Grant given by Barbara Thistle. Barbara served on the Women of the ELCA Churchwide Executive Board from 2017 – 2021. She is part of the Metro New York Synodical Women's Organization and has served there as both president and treasurer. The goal of this challenge is to raise an additional \$25,000 for Katie's Fund by Wednesday, May 31. All new gifts and pledges given between April 13 – May 31 will be matched, up to \$25,000.

What is Katie's Fund?

Katharina von Bora Luther was a practical and bold woman of faith. Through Katie's Fund, Women of the ELCA honors her life by supporting global connections, leadership development and living theology. 2122: Growing Katie's Fund for the next 100 years is a one-million-dollar campaign for Katie's Fund that is designed to support the organization into the next 100 years of mission and ministry.

Make a gift before May 31

- Donations can be made on-line at welca.org/donate. Please remember to choose "Katie's Fund" in the drop-down options.
- Complete a Gift Intention/Pledge Form, available at welca.org/katiesfund.
- Send a check: Make the check out to: Women of the ELCA. Write Katie's Fund Matching Gift on the memo line.

Women of the ELCA
ELCA GIFT PROCESSING CENTER
P.O. Box 1809
Merrifield, VA 22116-8009
- Or call 800-638-3522 to make a donation with a credit card. Operators are ready to assist you Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Central Daylight Time.

"Strong, faithful women have played an enormous role in my own faith development. It was my maternal grandmother, a Roman Catholic, who brought me to church as a child. Later, when I married an ELCA Lutheran, my mother-in-law introduced me to the ELCA. Bold women of faith at my current church, St. Paul's Lutheran in Rye Brook, NY, encouraged me to become more involved with Women of the ELCA.

I believe that women are the primary drivers of faith formation in the next generation. As the saying goes, if you educate a woman, you educate a village. I believe the same principle applies when spreading the love and mercy of our Savior, Jesus Christ. That is why I'm passionate about supporting programs for women and children's ministry."

—Barbara Thistle, Stamford, CT

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