

The Lutheran Campus Center (LCC)

SERVING THE CAMPUS COMMUNITIES OF WINONA STATE UNIVERSITY, ST. MARY'S UNIVERSITY, AND MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGE SOUTHEAST TECHNICAL

A letter from Pastor Corrine Haulotte

Recently Bishop Steve Delzer of the Southeastern Minnesota Synod visited the LCC. Before dinner and worship board members met with Bishop Steve to talk about his travels and the church overall. During that time he said (again) how convinced he is that campus ministry is leading the church into the future, namely through hospitality and engagement with the wider world outside our doors.



It was time for a story.

I talked about a Friday evening in which I ventured up to my favorite tree in Winona atop Garvin Heights. There were two college women already at the spot, and they invited me to sit with them. Other times I might have declined, not wanting to intrude, but something called me to stay that night. (Hmm, Holy Spirit.) We sat together for over an hour, talking about life, travels, college, faith, etc. At one point one of the students said she had been searching for a campus ministry in Winona, so I invited her to the LCC. But here's the thing— that wasn't even the point of this serendipitous spirit-filled moment at a tree. The point was *that moment*. In the world. Holding conversation and meeting one another where we were. God was present there just as much as God was present when she did walk through the LCC doors Sunday night for dinner. And even if that student never becomes a leader for the LCC or a "regular," she is part of our ministry. She is in the world, and so are we. When students tell me how they feel a tugging now and then to sit with someone, how they do sit, and how hope is born in both of them because of that sitting, I smile. For we are engaged with the wider world together.

That is what the church is. That's what makes church different from other clubs or organizations one can "join" or become a "member" of. That is what makes campus ministry different. We're not about memberships and status and statistics and metrics the way the rest of the world is basically obsessed with. We are obsessed with meeting people where they are in the world and sharing the love of God at every table, even at a tree. Join us.

Kitchen Project Update & Exciting News...

We have received an incredible outpouring of support for this project. Our goal is \$20,000, and currently we have raised \$15,327! You can follow our progress on our Facebook page as well as our GiveMN page.

We have also *prayerfully and joyfully decided to tithe* what we receive to the SEMN Synod's "Food For All," Society of St. Andrew (hunger relief non-profit we're going to for spring break), and Winona Volunteer Services food pantry. This is a way we can multiply kindness and teach our students the importance of sharing what we receive. Thank you so much for your amazing support!

HELP US UPDATE OUR RECORDS! ARE YOU AN ALUMNI, PARENT OR GRANDPARENT OF A STUDENT OR AN ALUMNI?

EMAIL US: LCCRELATIONS@GMAIL.COM

If you know any students at the three campuses the LCC serves in Winona, please tell them about the LCC!

Or if you have permission, you can provide their contact information to the LCC (pastorcorrine@gmail.com), and we'll be happy to contact them. Thanks!

Student Ministers

Taylor Weis- As my last semester as a student minister flies by, I can't help but reflect on the many blessings, perspectives, and opportunities this position has afforded me. During my first semester here as a freshman, other students and leaders encouraged me to pursue leadership within this ministry. Little did I know that when I took on this position, I would also be led and inspired by fellow students at the LCC. Through Bible Study this semester we have confronted comfort zones and approached racial injustice in the world today with help from the word of God. We have had difficult, confusing, and hopeful conversation as we have bonded over this challenging topic. Our "Hunger for Justice" is growing and strengthening! I look forward to attending Bible Study during Spring Semester as I witness a new student minister flourish at the LCC!



Angela Shepherd- I started going to the LCC as a freshman, attending worship and Bible study. I later got more involved when I was voted onto leadership as fundraiser coordinator. At the end of my freshman year, I applied to be a student minister and got the position. I was student minister first semester of my sophomore year, then studied abroad in Argentina second semester. I am excited to be back as a student minister again! I love my position as student minister because of how involved I am in the LCC. I also love getting to teach my fellow students during Bible study and learning from them.

A WORD FROM THE BOARD

Every year some of our strongest student leaders graduate and move on, and I wonder how we are ever going to find a new batch of leaders to take their place. And every fall, as students return and get involved at the LCC, I am continually amazed by those stepping into their shoes and watching them up the caliber of this ministry. It reminds me of who is in charge at the LCC. It isn't our very capable and gifted pastor, it isn't our strong and dedicated board, and it isn't our generous and loyal supporters; it is the Holy Spirit and God's work among us. I am so blessed to play a small role in this incredible ministry that God is using to shape the faith of young adults and build up the future of the church.

I was thinking about this recently—I don't know of any other ministry in the church that intersects with the lives of young adults the way campus ministry does. I know there must be something more happening in the church, but I just don't know where that would be. This is why campus ministry is so important, because these young adults are our future ... the hands into which the baton of God's mission is being passed. This is also why your support in prayer and dollars is so necessary. On behalf of the Board of Directors I thank you for all that you do to make the LCC a thriving and flourishing ministry to the glory of God.

Jeff Franko, President of the Board



We are thrilled to announce our **4th consecutive year of a matching grant through the generosity of ALL our board members AND student leaders in the amount of \$3,565!**

Your generosity on Give to the Max Day makes a difference far beyond the 24-hour giving event on November 17! Your donation on Give to the Max Day also may help us receive an additional donation of \$1,000. How? On Nov 17, every gift made on GiveMN.org will be entered into an hourly drawing for a \$1,000 GiveMN Golden Ticket to be awarded to a nonprofit organization. Your gift could instantly turn into an extra \$1,000!

Here's the really exciting part: Two donations made on GiveMN.org during the Give to the Max Day campaign will be randomly selected to receive a \$10,000 Super-Sized GiveMN Golden Ticket! The more gifts we generate on GiveMN.org during the scheduled giving time between November 1 and 17, the more our chances increase to receive that additional \$10,000 donation. Imagine what we could do with \$10,000! Be sure to mark your calendar Nov 1-17 and visit GiveMN.org, then search for "Lutheran Campus Center Winona"!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRAYERS & PARTNERSHIP!

Message From Alumni: Lisa J. Boden Felchle – 1999 WSU Graduate

From 1996 to 1999, I was involved in Lutheran Campus Center (LCC), which was under the direction of Pastor John Carrier. As a social work and psychology major, I was first drawn to the LCC ministry due to the humanitarian work and outreach ministry. During spring break and summer break I participated in various humanitarian work to include feeding homeless in Denver, Colorado, building homes in San Diego, CA and volunteering at the Aids Memorial Quilt on display at that National Mall in Washington, DC. For one year, I lived in the LCC house, which was open to all students, prior to moving offices to the current location. I was a student on staff for two years and assisted in administrative support to services, planned ministry events, wrote articles for the newsletter, and conducted outreach to other students.



In 1999, I graduated from Winona State University and commissioned in the Minnesota Army National Guard. I worked in the United Kingdom, taught English in Japan for two years, deployed to Bosnia-Herzegovina, worked for the Army in Germany for two years, deployed multiple times to Iraq and currently work full-time as a civilian for the Army and work part-time as a Lieutenant Colonel in the U.S. Army Reserves. I am married to my husband, Chris and am blessed with two beautiful children, Owen (4 yrs.) and Teagan (1 yr.).

My family is active in a non-denominational Christian church. My husband volunteers on the medical team, and I teach Sunday school to 3-5 year-old children. We support some amazing programs, such as Feed My Starving Children mobile pack and Hope 4 Kids International. Through that organization, we support a child in Uganda and a widow's business. In July 2016, my husband and I traveled to Uganda through Hope 4 Kids International and were able to dedicate multiple wells, conduct medical outreach, support women's businesses, and visit an orphanage, hospitals, and schools. We also were able to meet our sponsored child and woman.

One of my favorite missions God has challenged me with is being an example and teaching my children about God; it melts my heart, and I thank God every day when my 4-year-old son discusses how he knows God and talks openly about it. This and other experiences in my life encourage me to share Proverbs 3: 5-6 with you: "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight. In all your ways acknowledge God, and God will make straight your paths."

New Leaders (and *really* good stories)

My name is Morgan Hagen, and I am the treasurer at the LCC. I am in charge of overseeing the club account, completing financial forms, and attending Student Senate meetings for funding information. I attended my first LCC Sunday worship towards the end of my fall semester of my sophomore year (12/2015). I immediately felt surrounded and understood from the people attending that worship. My interest increased as I attended more events-- bible study, independent theo, coffee hour, etc. I now come to the LCC because the LCC is my rock here at Winona State University. It is the only place where I feel the most like myself and the most comfortable to be myself. The members of the LCC are my second family. The environment is very welcoming and comforting. I enjoy having the LCC in my life as it is a place for me to bring my bad days, my good days, and all of my experiences to grasp a better understanding of what I am going through. Not only has my understanding in myself improved, but also my faith has never been stronger. All in all, the LCC has saved me, and I cannot wait to see what the LCC has in store for my future.



My name is Madison Worke, and as the fellowship leader I basically organize fun events for everyone to participate in. I also am in charge of coffee hour. But I feel that since I'm so busy being on the basketball team for Winona State, a lot of the other leaders help me out. I got involved in the LCC at the spring picnic last year. Mariah reached out to some of my friends, and I tagged along to the picnic. I got talking with Mariah, and she told me I should join the LCC. I went to a few Sunday dinners/worships and I'm SO glad I did. I really enjoy being a part of the LCC.

My name is Steven Granquist; my journey to the LCC was a rough one, but after finding it, I was *home*. The first year of college was a struggle for me. Being shy and very nervous about the new environment led me to not being too open or outgoing with other people. I spent most of the year alone and just depressed feeling hopelessly lonely and confused. I remember praying, "God, help me get through this, I need to find a place where I belong, where I can be around people who care for me". And God gave me just that and more. I was invited to the LCC and ever since that first amazing night, I have never been the same. I am no longer depressed and worried about school or life. Finding the LCC gave me what I needed. Friends. And people who care about me. The kind and loving hearts of the students and adults here is really incredible and they changed my life. I am now Secretary (pretty cool huh?) and I couldn't be happier. Being involved here has been incredible for me, and I can't wait to see where this ministry goes and how it continues to change and show even more people the true love of God.



Working together. Living through faith. Taking action in our world.



Family Weekend Worship & Lunch, 9/25/16



Bandage Rolling for Global Health Ministries as part of God's Work, Our Hands 2016.

We collaborated for the 3rd year with three ELCA churches in Winona to bless our community and world together!

Medal Ceremony for an event



Olympic Theme Block Party

8/26/16

Each year we welcome new students to the LCC at our block party!

Preparing for shot put ↙



Fall Retreat

Students went to Good Earth Village for fall retreat! They painted beautiful impressionist paintings and watched the movie "Freedom Writers" to reflect on their stories, images of God, and how God has imprinted our images on the palms of God's hands. (Isaiah 49)



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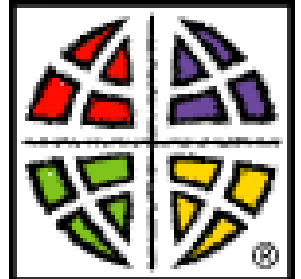


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