

Lutheran Campus Center Winona

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The LCC is an ELCA-based campus ministry serving Winona State and Saint Mary's Universities in Winona. They accompany students during the pivotal crossroads moments of their life as they transition into and out of college. Campus ministry also serves faculty and staff, as well as community members, especially young adults. They exist for more than just Lutherans, while remaining rooted in Lutheran theology. They are also part of the Winona Interfaith Council. The mission statement is: "Working Together. Living Through Faith. Taking Action in Our World."

The stories of the Holy Spirit working through this ministry are deep and many. There are students who have no connection to Christianity that find welcome and nourishment through this space and community. Alumni return to share gifts and messages for students they have never met, because they understand the power of what happens here. The board members who drop in with packages of yogurt and fresh-baked scones, ready to respond to additional needs, find joy there, too. (Join the email list to get more stories as they are realized.)

The pandemic effects continue. When a whole class of students doesn't get to experience college life in person, valuable connection points are lost. Giving from institutions was down, but individuals came through. Through the challenges, the stories continue to flow and the Spirit continues. And the stories of how LCC is carried into the world through alumni are deep. New growth is already visible, as some pre-pandemic pieces fade away. LCC is an amazing example of how church is about

trying new things, listening, pivoting, and then trying again.

You can support this ministry! Prayers for Lutheran campus ministry across the nation is coveted. During the school year weekly meals are provided for students, and you could be part of that. Finally, financial support is how LCC can exist, and currently half of their budget is coming from individuals.

When asked why the LCC should continue to exist, one student said, "The LCC is a place where God's abundant love is not just talked about, but felt. And, it's a community where faith is at your own pace."

In the words of a former student: "You did not seek to change me, or control me. You accepted and loved me for who I was at every moment."



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