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## Thank you to all who supported LCMNU in 2020!



Dear Friends of LCMNU,  
Thanks to your generous gifts, the transformative work of LCMNU has continued uninterrupted over the course of the last year. Ministry programming and events have been held virtually since last March (such as Homecoming worship, seen left), offering community, fellowship and faith development to students—resources that are more urgent and necessary than ever for our students. Your gifts of service and support have been

essential in ensuring that this ministry remains a constant and reliable presence for students in this challenging and uncertain time. Our Showcase event, hosted via Zoom last May, featured student led talks on topics of faith and vocation. These insightful presentations highlighted the ways in which LCMNU has been a place of growth, education and care for students. The testimony of two students, responding to the prompt “What’s Essential? The Role of Faith Now and Beyond,” serve to remind us of how and why the work of LCMNU is so important:

This is a very crucial time for Christians to stand up and proclaim the glory of God. To spread the message of hope, life, resurrection and salvation through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. I am pleased that is what has been happening with the Wednesday night 21theo sessions and our weekly Sunday Worship, because it is this hope that will fuel our bodies to move forward. When this virus passes, and by faith it soon will, the world will need people to rebuild what has been destroyed, resume what has been in limbo for months -and that energy will be most essential.—**Nandipa Siluma ('23)**

During 21theo we look closer at what is personally essential, and write it down each week. As I prepared for this talk, I looked over what I had written down each week--not sure how I would relate faith to what, at the time, was a documentation of various things I needed to do. Then I noticed the same two words popping up in my responses each week: stability and community. In hindsight, it should have been obvious. What importance does LCMNU have in my life? What does faith provide for me? Stability and community. Faith always has. - **Johnathan Frank ('21)**

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Virtual Showcase**  
SATURDAY MAY 15, 2021 • 7:00 PM - 8:15 PM  
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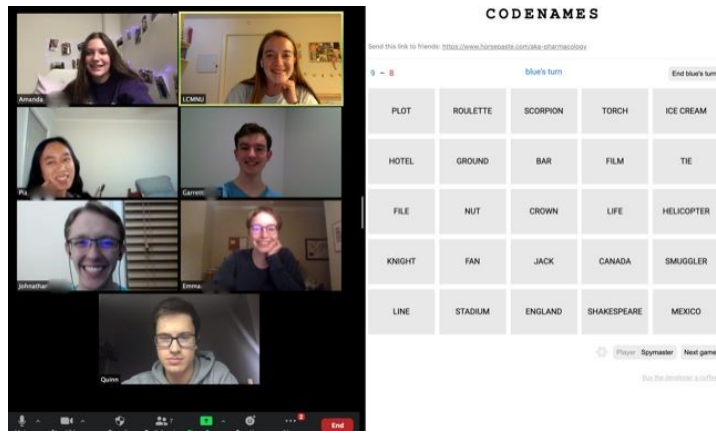
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You will be joining a special group of supporters who have made a commitment which ensures LCMNU is present for future generations of students.



Students enjoy game night together via Zoom.

## Thank you, Donors!

Thank you for all the ways you help Lutheran Campus Ministry to thrive at Northwestern University! As students continue to wrestle with life's challenges—academic, relational, emotional and spiritual—LCMNU has never been more needed. LCMNU offers a supportive and inclusive faith community, proclaiming the words of hope, grace, mercy and affirmation based on Jesus' teaching. Without you, the ministry could not be a presence for students or help them to grow in their faith.

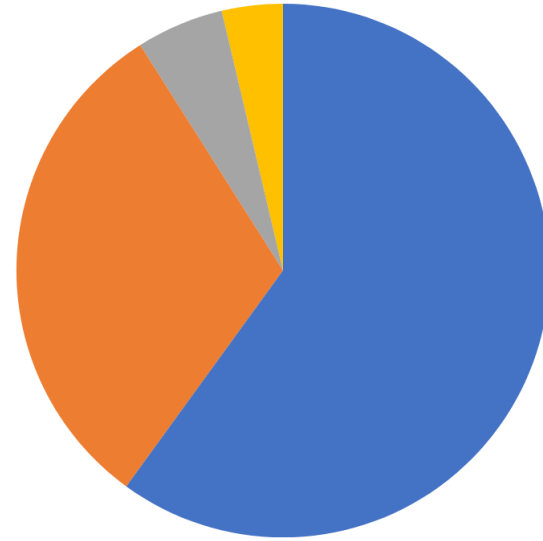
It has been an successful year for the ministry, despite the challenges and limitations present during pandemic conditions. Over the course of the year, LCMNU has hosted (virtually, of course):

- Weekly Worship and Wednesday Evening Prayer.
- Special Homecoming, Family Weekend and Campus Ministry Sunday events.
- A successful Showcase 2020, through which students raised over \$10,000.
- A conversation with Lenny Duncan, author of "Dear Church: A Love Letter from a Black Preacher to the Whitest Denomination in the United States" in partnership with the Northwestern's Office of Multicultural Student Affairs.
- Student organized Trivia fundraisers and Game Nights.

...and many other opportunities for fellowship, connection, and pastoral care, none of which happen without your support. You are the rock in the lives of all the students impacted by this remarkable ministry.

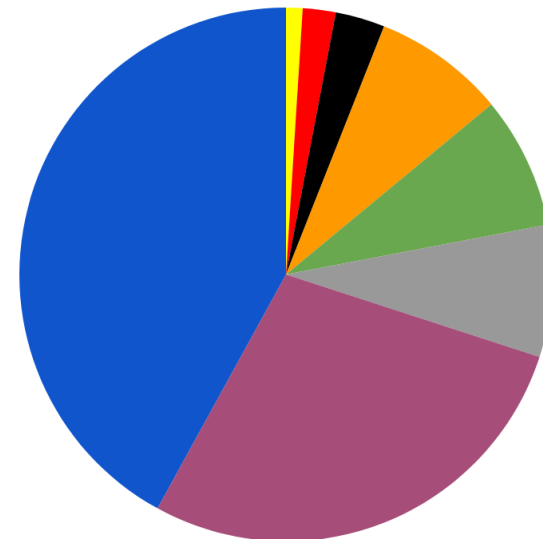
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### Expenses



- 60% (\$114,038) Staff Compensation and Benefits**
- 31% (\$57,857) Buildings and Grounds**
- 5.3% (\$9,937) Admin., Office and Misc. Costs**
- 3.7% (\$6,857) Student Programming**

### Revenue By Category



- 42% (\$74,028) Individual Donations**
- 28% (\$49,197) IL Synods and Church-wide Mission Support**
- 8% (\$13,267) Student Offerings and Fundraisers**
- 8% (\$13,659) One-time National Lutheran Campus Ministry Property Grant**
- 8% (\$14,401) Chicago Metropolitan Synod Endowment Support**
- 3% (\$6,140) Facility Usage**
- 2% (\$2,884) Miscellaneous**
- 1% (\$2,030) ELCA Congregations**

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