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Upcoming Events: Fall 2022

HOMECOMING WORSHIP

Sunday, October 9 **RSVP** by October 2

10:00am continental breakfast, 11:00am worship

FAMILY WEEKEND WORSHIP

Sunday, November 6 **RSVP** by October 30

10:00am continental breakfast, 11:00am worship

RSVP for the noted breakfasts by contacting lutherancm@u.northwestern.edu

Safety and health precautions will be taken as needed.

Campus Ministry at Northwestern

Evanston, IL

Summer Update 2022

News from the Ministry



Deepening Faith - Expanding Community

LCMNU is a welcoming community experiencing, living and sharing the love of God through scholarship, service and faith.



Students ended the year with a safe outdoor service and meal at the Center.

WHO we are and WHAT we're about...The Holy Spirit calls us...

At the spring Student Leadership Board retreat, students authored these principles for LCMNU, 2022–2023:

1. TO BE SELFLESS AND TO UNIFY OUR WORDS AND DEEDS INTO A GENUINE COMMUNITY OF ONE HEART AND SOUL.

- Build trust and share in meaningful fellowship as well as intentionally commit time and invest energy into one another, our studies and our work together.
- Cultivate prayer and vocational discernment as a community. We witness the Holy Spirit helping in our everyday lives, as individuals and as a community.

2. TO LIVE OUT OUR BAPTISM VOCATION WITH COURAGE AND THE DISCOMFORT OF BEING THE BRIDGE BETWEEN THE TRUTH WE FIND IN JESUS AND THE DEMANDS OF THE WORLD.

- Share, in trust and in respect, our experiences and expression so that we may live and grow together, then share confidently in the greater world.
- Strengthen the connections with our service partners to be inspired to go further and be more intentional in dayto-day interactions. Through service, we serve God and neighbor and deepen our personal reflections in understanding others and ourselves.

Essential, Indispensable, Faithful. We are grateful for '21-'22 highlights...

Karoline M. Lewis ('89), Marbury E. Anderson Chair in Biblical Preaching at Luther Seminary, St. Paul, MN, was our guest preacher for Homecoming October 17, AND gave a Zoom lecture October 20, the Wednesday after that: "Pandemic, Protest, and Politics: Reading the Bible in Our Time and Place."

Bethany Ketchem ('18) was the guest preacher for the 75th Anniversary Worship. LCMNU is the sponsoring congregation for Bethany who is a candidate for rostered ministry, has completed her first year of seminary at Pacific Lutheran Seminary (Berkeley, CA) and will begin her second year at United Lutheran Seminary (Gettysburg, PA) this fall.

LCMNU Peace and Justice leaders worked with Connections for the Homeless staff to coordinate "Young Adult Homelessness in Evanston," a presentation on April 28 on how to become an advocate for affordable housing and challenge stereotypes about young adults' homelessness.

In this past year, **21theo, LCMNU's weekly education** hour, has focused on the Biblical understanding and practice of "sabbath"; reading the Bible from the perspective of social identities that are marginalized to decenter dominant and privileged readings. At Easter, we studied the book of Acts and how the Advocate equips the disciples for "actions" in a post-resurrection world.

We completed the entire academic year in person (with precautions), which has meant merging into "one heart and one soul." Being in person, sharing real time together in our work and our studies helped us reconnect and move forward together! We thank and praise God!

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3. TO LOOK OUTSIDE OURSELVES, LCMNU AND OUR CAMPUS TO SEE THE NEED AND PERSPECTIVES OF OUR NEIGHBORS.

- Let our beliefs inspire our actions and to see the world and ourselves through God's eyes—through the lens of love.
 Spreading the love of God to others is integral to our baptismal calling.
- Discern the qualities of a fulfilling and sustainable life for all. Bible studies, advocacy work and reaching out to students beyond LCMNU are but part of the impetus for our desire to share in kindness.

Blessings in 2021-2022:

On May 14-15, we celebrated LCMNU's 75-year presence on the NU campus during Showcase at Parkes Hall. We shared fellowship with 120 alumni, current students, families and friends. We were blessed with the presence of former pastors Rev. Brueggemann, Rev. Hewitt, and Rev. Kittlaus (on Zoom) and Rev. Miller (Bishop Emeritus) and Bishop Curry. The talents of LCMNU students were special to witness, and their insights in three panels on faith, the church, service to others and the strength of God's Word in campus life and beyond were powerful and inspirational. Sunday worship in Alice Millar Chapel was another joyful event—an alum preacher, confirmation of an LCMNU classmate, the Chapel Choir and a larger presence on the campus in this spacious, safe facility made a beautiful imprint of now and for our future!

While the constraints of COVID were conspicuous this year, we were able to meet weekly, masked and distanced, to share in Bible studies, feed the homeless, support the Purple Pantry and strengthen the bonds of LCMNU community and our faith in God. While we could not have meals together, we were grateful for the weekly take-away-snack donations by LCMNU friends and volunteers.