



# Lutheran Campus Ministry-Twin Cities

## 2022 Annual Report

Fiscal Year: January 1, 2022 – December 31, 2022

### A Year of Resilience and Generosity

For over 100 years Lutheran Campus Ministry-Twin Cities has been an ever dying, ever rising ministry on the campus of the University of Minnesota – Twin Cities.

Our annual report is our chance to report on the previous year, to celebrate successes and say thank you to our donors and volunteers for your abundant support. As I write this, the beginning of 2022 feels far, far away. We were still masking and cancelling events because of Covid outbreaks in our community. We continued to be creative, welcoming artists and guest speakers, retreating together close to the Metro, and traveling to Holden Village for our Spring Break Immersion. Our community deepened its connections with both God and one another, and was marked by surprising resilience, maturity, and exceptional generosity. After years of crisis, we gave thanks for those that God gathered and together wondered how God might continue to use this community to embody grace, mercy, and love. We said goodbye to a graduating class who had grown together through so much turmoil and had shaped and been shaped by this community.

As we stepped into the Fall of 2022, our new leaders listened for the Spirit's work in their midst, and were called out onto campus, bearing witness to God's love, mercy, and generosity in countless ways. Thanks to our leaders' invitation and



welcome, our weekly free meal grew from 10-15 people to offering 50-75 students each week a warm meal, a place to be known, and to serve one another. They offered blessings on Coming Out Day, coffee and conversation on street corners and bridges, and sidewalk chalked messages of God's love. This community is remarkably passionate about making sure students on the margins of the campus and Christianity know that God's love is abundant, and that it is for all people.

This was all in addition to our grounding Word and Sacrament gathering and weekly bible studies. Our Fall Retreat again provided space for grounding in God's love and community, and we were thrilled to welcome guest speakers for our Community Dinner and Conversations once again. Alongside 1:1's, service, justice, and community building events, we had a full and sometimes chaotic Fall semester, and remained so grateful for the opportunity to live full lives once again.

We also remain grateful to each of you for making it possible for us to serve, to learn, and to share in the work of the Gospel on campus. Your generosity

creates space for the kinds of active reflection that make generative community possible. Your generosity frees us to experiment with what it means to be the church, in this particular year, in this particular place. You will see from our financial report that we have much to be grateful for, and much to look forward to. The impact that you all, our donors, and volunteers, make in the lives of young adults at the U of M through this ministry is tremendous, and we are so grateful.

As we step out into 2023, we are hopeful. In many ways, LCM is a community that is used to beginning again. We are well practiced at equipping students to listen in to where God might be calling us as a Christian community and working with them to put flesh on that call. We will do that again this year. Thank you for the many ways you uplift and encourage young adults at the U. Your support is transformational. This year it has been lifesaving. We are so grateful. Thank you.

– Pastor Kate

*Lutheran Campus Ministry-Twin Cities is a faith community rooted in word and sacrament. LCM-TC welcomes, gathers, equips, and sends students, trusting that through these young people, the Spirit is active in transforming the campus and the world.*

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 the Spring of 2023 and  
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 the current board.

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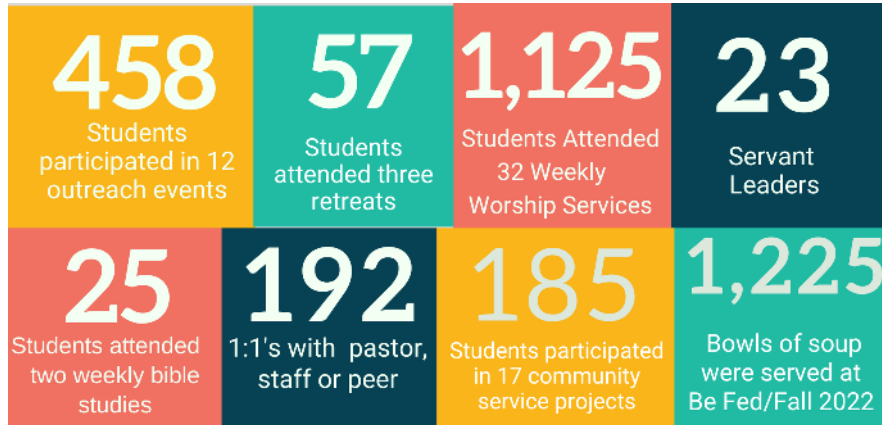
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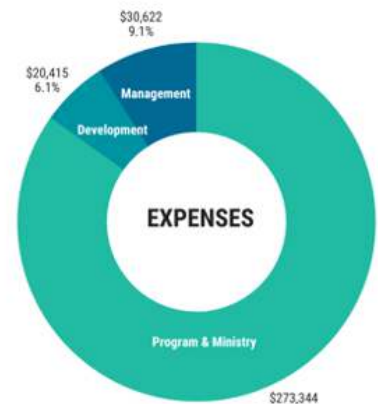
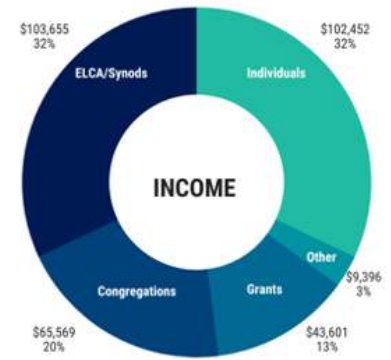
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*LCM is different. I don't just feel like I'm welcome here, or that I belong. I feel like I'm needed, and I don't feel that many other places. – Danny R.*

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*I love LCM because of how open the community is and how it embraces the diversity of its participants. Whether you've been a part of the community for years or it's your first time interacting with LCM, you will find support in the people that make LCM amazing. I feel like it's a space where people can be themselves and don't have to be worried about being judged. ~ Boysen O.*



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