



LUTHERAN CAMPUS MINISTRY

AT THE UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE

FALL NEWSLETTER 2016

We are off to an excellent start this fall! I give thanks for our student Exec Board, a wonderful team of leaders, and for all those who take part in LCM and bless us with their unique gifts and qualities. On September 6 we hosted our annual welcome picnic, which included tasty food, fun fellowship, great photography by Jeremy, and a wonderful new addition: welcome bags from St. Paul's Lutheran in Newark. Filled with snacks, pens, post-it notes, and other items, these generous gifts were a huge hit with our students!



We know that our ministry depends on the gracious support of many organizations and dedicated individuals in order to flourish. With so many worthy ministries and agencies around, we are deeply grateful for all those who choose to share their time and talents with LCM. Thank you for all that you do and for your hearts for these gifted young adults!

If you are new to LCM, you may be wondering how you can best extend your support. This fall, we continue to seek new members for our Directing Committee (governing board), as well as new teams to join the rotation to provide Tuesday evening student dinners. If either of these opportunities is of interest to you, please contact JoAnne or me; we would be glad to share more details! Most importantly, please keep our students in your prayers, for rich learning, success in their studies, deepened friendships, and a continued strengthening of their journey of faith in Jesus. In addition, we welcome your prayers that our LCM programming will be a blessing, to the students themselves and to our wider community, particularly in regard to FISH, Family Promise, and the other service projects in which our students engage with such enthusiasm and dedication.

I look forward to seeing many of you at our FISH fundraiser on the evening of November 5th. Until then, may the light of Christ shine brightly on your days, and may His love enfold you!

In Christ, Mindy †



SPECIAL REQUEST: Do you own a business, offer a service, or have a special talent or gift that you would be willing to donate to the upcoming F.I.S.H. fundraiser? If you are willing to help, we would love to hear from you. Please contact the office at 302-368-3078. Donations of items for raffle baskets are also welcome. Thank you!

HELP WANTED: We have openings available for Tuesday dinner hosts. No experience necessary. The job requires a desire to provide 15-18 very appreciative college students a simple meal. Don't like to cook? Tuesdays are not convenient? Donations will graciously be accepted to purchase food items for dinners. Please contact the office if you are willing to help. Thank you!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

LCM Work Day:
Saturday, October 8th (10 AM—2 PM)



Tuesday Dinners at 6:00 PM
Dinner hosting opportunities are available

F.I.S.H. (Fellowship in Serving the Hungry)

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Newark
3rd Friday of the month (2 PM - 5 PM) and the preceding Thursday evening (6:30 PM - 8:00 PM)

F.I.S.H. Fundraiser: SAVE THE DATE
Saturday, November 5th, beginning at 5:00 PM
St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Newark
Free dinner, silent auction, and basket raffles
***** see enclosed flyer for more details *****

OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

TO EXPRESS OUR FAITH IN GOD THROUGH FELLOWSHIP, OUTREACH, AND SERVICE.

WHERE ARE OUR GRADUATES?



Elena Sassaman: Graduated with a Political Science Major with a triple minor in History, German, and Political Communications. Elena is currently a Constituent Advocate for U.S. Senator Christopher Coons and resides in Wilmington, Delaware.

Ellie Brown: Graduated with an Exercise Science Major. Ellie is currently working in Bethany Beach and spends her free time studying. She is hoping to attend dental school in fall 2017!

Rachel Jackson: Graduated with a dual degree in Cognitive Science and Psychology. After enjoying the summer at the beach and working, she is currently living in Philadelphia and has begun her year of service with City Year, a branch of AmeriCorps. Rachel will be working in schools to support students in math, literacy, and behavior.



SAVE THE DATE
FALL FUNDRAISER—NOV. 5TH
ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

MEET OUR F.I.S.H. PEER MINISTER

"We can't help everyone, but everyone can help someone." — Ronald Reagan

My roommate put this quote up in our dorm this year and I pass it every day. I didn't know it before I accepted my position as the FISH Peer Minister, but now I would say this quote embodies why I was led to accept this position. One of my greatest goals in life is to make the world a better place, and many times I wish I could be doing more and fear that I'm never doing enough. But I've realized that I do not have to be stopping world hunger to be making an impact. Through my role in FISH I am able to help provide food for about 60 families once a month, and while the amount we supply is not nearly enough to feed them for the month, their genuine expressions of joy and appreciation show the true impact the food has on their lives. The food we provide may give a family additional nutrition they otherwise may not get, or provide a sense of normalcy to kids by occasionally giving them more expensive snack foods their parents do not have the luxury to buy. While FISH may not feed millions of people, I am proud to be a part of a program that can provide food for over a hundred people in the Newark area, and I am honored to be working with so many caring and dedicated people that make FISH happen every month.

I am also so happy to be a part of LCM, which has given me this amazing opportunity to serve. I did not start coming to LCM until the second semester of school, but right away I felt welcomed and was so excited to come back after the first night. It is a great community to be a part of. I love coming each week to see everyone, as well as to engage in thought-provoking and spiritual discussion. There also is always lots going on at LCM, and I love that it is such a vibrant and active group. Apart from LCM, I am also involved in Delaware Diplomats, Pep Band, Arnold Air Society, and Intramural sports and majoring in Political Science. I am also in Air Force ROTC and hope to become an Intelligence Officer after I graduate. I enjoy reading, outdoor activities like hiking, biking, and kayaking, and spending time with my family.



MARIA FAIOLA

Look! No more puddles and potholes...

Our sincere thanks to Bob and Mary Boord, members of St. Paul's and long-time LCM supporters, for their generous gift of providing our parking lot with 20 tons of stone aggregate before the students returned to campus. Now the puddles and dangerous potholes have been eliminated.

We are also looking for an electrician to replace some exterior lighting fixtures at the chapel. If you know of someone with this skill, time, and desire, we would love to hear from them.

Do you have access to a trailer or truck to haul yard waste to a green dump site? We have a pile behind the chapel that needs to be removed. Please consider helping at our next work day on Saturday, October 8th. Work days are a great opportunity for youth groups or scouting organizations to earn service hours. Please prayerfully consider how you can help. Thank you!



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