



Lutheran Campus Ministry at Indiana University

Where students come to
“discover and fulfill their vocation as disciples”

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Giving Thanks!

November truly is a time for us to give thanks for all of our blessings at LCM. Our gifted student leaders and participants continue to build a strong community. Carolyn, our office administrator, maintains order in the chaos that is our office. Our board of directors is dedicated to finding new ways to shape the mission and vision of this life giving ministry. And you, our ministry partners, remain steadfast in your support. We are blessed to work with you, doing God's work in our little corner of the world.

Deepening Faith



LCM-IU students deepen their faith through new worship opportunities this semester. Our covenant congregation, St. Thomas Lutheran church, graciously welcomes IU students for weekly Eucharist. In addition to that regular Sunday worship, students come together each week to rejuvenate at *Oasis*. Students participate in planning and leading this weekly experiential worship including Word, song, and prayer. The service, open to the entire student body, is held at the Indiana Memorial Union, the center of campus life.

LCM has also joined ecumenical hands with Episcopal sisters and brothers. Living out our full communion relationship, students of Lutheran Campus Ministry at IU and the **Episcopal Campus Ministry** join together in an ecumenical Eucharist at Beck Chapel (next to the IMU) followed by a meal filled with conversation and fellowship each month.

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LCM-IU is in covenant relationship with St. Thomas Lutheran Church

Support Students From Your Congregation.



Creating Traditions at LCM-IU

Students of LCM-IU are building traditions. Late Night LCM is our students' time for fellowship and fun. Last month they came together for a night of pumpkin carving...and in the process started a new LCM tradition.

The first couple of weeks of November at IU can be difficult. IU does not have a fall break so students are more than ready for a break! **November might be a good time to send a mini-care package to give students a real 'taste of home'.** Make it something fun, encouraging and/or nutritious. Just a little something with help those last couple of weeks before Thanksgiving break can take some of the edge off of the November doldrums. Remember, too, that if your surprise is something to share, it just might provide the opportunity for students to build or deepen relationships with others in their dorm or apartment. Just imagine the smiles on the faces of the recipients and the wonder in the eyes of the friends when your students say, "Hey, come see what my church sent me!" This long stretch without a break can be tough on families back at home as well. **Take a few moments to check in with the families of your students.**

And don't forget other ways you can help us continue to thrive:

- Keep LCM-IU in your personal and congregational prayers and share our story with others.
- Take a look at our "[wish list](#)" on our [website](#). What can you provide?
- *Provide resources* so we can continue to offer a warm mid-week meal, meaningful worship, and comforts that make Rose House a "home away from home".
- Arrange service time for your church group to come to Bloomington and do a little handiwork around Rose House

Checks can be mailed to Lutheran Campus Ministry, 314 S Rose Ave, Bloomington IN 47401

Have suggestions for or questions/comments about LCM-IU and/or our e-newsletter? Do you wish to be removed from this email list? Please contact Lutheran@indiana.edu or call 812-333-2474

Our Mission: "Lutheran Campus Ministry at Indiana University is an inclusive ministry in Christ that invites people in the university community to develop a deeper understanding of the body of Christ, so that they can discover and fulfill their vocation as disciples."

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