



# Lutheran Campus Ministry at Indiana University

Where students come to  
"discover and fulfill their vocation as disciples"

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## On the Go in 2008!

As we enter the depths of winter (such as it is here in south central Indiana) we look forward to a busy semester. LCM-IU students are back into the swing of things and our busy LCM calendar is filling up again. During the week students continue to gather for *OASIS*, a prayerful worship service at the Indiana Memorial Union. We host students for community building time around dinner and discussion of justice and advocacy at "Life Together" on Wednesday. And students enjoy fellowship together on Thursday nights during "Late Night" activities (see below for more about this). Add Sunday worship at St. Thomas Lutheran church and opportunities for intramural sports to that and we have quite a busy place!

## Fun at LCM: "LATE NIGHT"



**LATE NIGHT  
LCM!**



We take great care to follow the three principles of Lutheran Campus Ministry: Expanding Minds, Deepening Faith, and Inspiring Service. But we also make sure we tend to our relationships with one another through the student fellowship known as *Late Night LCM*.

"*Late Night*" began at the initiative of one of LCM's peer ministers last year as an alternative to 'Thirsty Thursdays' on campus. This popular weekly event gathers both regular and occasional LCMers for an evening to hang out with friends.

Whether they are going bowling, enjoying ice cream during game night, singing karaoke, or heading out for Girls Night/Guys Night, students look forward to getting away from the stresses of school to share fun, quality time with one another.

## We're on the Web!

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## Student Stories

From time to time the LCM News-E-Letter will highlight reflections from a former student who was active in Lutheran Campus Ministry. You can let us know your story by sending it via snail mail or email at [Lutheran@indiana.edu](mailto:Lutheran@indiana.edu). Please include a recent picture if you can!

This month I would like to share a few words from Kim Conway. Kim came to IU in 2001 to begin a PhD in Early Adolescent Literacy. While attending St. Thomas in Bloomington she met some LCM-IU students. Her fellowship with these peers changed her life:



I became actively involved soon after the start of the academic year through weekly Bible studies...Sunday worship and lunch, as well as regular social gatherings.

It was through these friendships that I was able to openly share some of my vocational questions. And quite cliché, it was during a study of the book of Jonah that I just burst. The group that gathered for Bible study was quite supportive and knew how to ask probing questions. In December after continued conversations

and much fighting on my part, I decided to see what this was all about and began planning to leave the IU community to pursue an MDiv at Trinity Lutheran Seminary.

Recently I graduated from Trinity with my MDiv and am now in the call process within the Metropolitan Washington DC Synod. I am in touch with [the friends I made] still and cherish our times in Bible study, conversation, Easter dinner, catching flying cans at Midnight Madness, evenings out at a local pub, bowling, and the infamous trip to Columbus, OH to satiate my starving NHL hockey addiction.

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Reflecting on this short time with LCM-IU I am thankful that God had and continues to have disciples who seek to gather in community and fellowship on college campuses throughout the world, and I hope to be able to support that as much as I can throughout my life and ministry.

Kim was here just a short time, but her story shows us a God at work – and quickly! – at clarifying her call to become a rostered leader in the ELCA. Last October Kim was ordained and began her first call at Epiphany Lutheran Church in Dale City, VA. You can contact her via email at [pastorkim44@gmail.com](mailto:pastorkim44@gmail.com)

## It's February, Do You Know Where Students From Your Congregation Are?



### Sights on Campus

*When winter comes to Bloomington we get a treat on our beautiful campus. In honor of our first alum story, I thought it appropriate to include this picture of IU's Virgil T. DeVault Alumni Center under a blanket of snow.*

So you've taken some time to enjoy having students from your congregation back home. You've held your grand send off, wishing them well back at school. But do you know where they are? For some students the change in semester means a change in address or even schools. Use this fact in February as an excuse to stay in touch with your students! **Send a note of encouragement and use it as an opportunity to verify their address.** The students will appreciate hearing from you. *Also, with Lent coming early in the calendar this year, include a Lenten devotional in your mailing.*

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

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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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