

Lutheran Campus Ministry Continuing what you have begun

In academic settings that are intellectually and emotionally challenging, Lutheran Campus Ministry provides a place for faith to be nurtured. Through the study of scripture, building of Christian community and Christ-centered worship students are reminded of and strengthened in their baptismal calling.

There are 144 campus pastors and lay professionals who minister at state and private university campuses on behalf of the ELCA. In South Carolina we have five Campus Pastors and nearly a dozen covenant congregations involved in campus ministry. Please keep these pastors and congregations in your prayers. Pray for God's blessings upon their work with young adults.



Refer your students

Send the names of students from your family or congregation directly to the Lutheran Campus Ministry on the campus they will attend. Follow the "Campus Ministry" link at our SC Synod Website.

www.sclutheran.org

Stay Connected to your Students:

- Go to the trouble of keeping up with their mailing addresses.
- Make sure college students are receiving a copy of the congregation's newsletter.
- Remember the student with a card or gift at birthdays, exam week, etc.
- Pastors and parents could visit the students on campus and make a visit to the Campus Ministry Center.
- Set aside funds to support student participation in local, regional and national Lutheran Student Movement Gatherings.
- Encourage participation in the campus ministry events occurring during the coming year. These are posted at the SC Synod Website, "Campus Ministry."

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Sent forth with God's Blessings

In the coming weeks, many of our daughters and sons will be enrolling in community colleges, universities and graduate schools.

Today we remember these young adults and pray for their hopes and educational pursuits and pray for God's continued blessing on their lives.



Litany written by
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Prayers for those heading to school

L: God of goodness and God of mercy, you bring children into our lives and you bless us with their laughter. In thankfulness for their presence, we offer our prayers to you.
C: We thank you, O Lord.

L: God of knowledge and God of wisdom, you invite us to explore your world and to discover your secrets. For minds and hearts and hands with which to discover and learn, we offer our prayers to you.
C: We thank you, O Lord.

L: As the new academic year begins, we offer our prayers to you for the members of this community who are enrolled at institutions of higher education. We send them forth with our love and the assurance of our continued prayers.
C: Hear our prayer, O Lord.

L: It is our prayer that these young men and women will flourish in their studies, grow in their self-confidence and be strengthened in their faith journey. We pray that they mature into the persons you would have them to be.
C: Hear our prayer, O Lord.

L: We pray for those who are left behind – for families and friends, for teachers and mentors. In gratitude for all they have given, we offer our prayers.
C: Hear our prayer, O Lord.

L: Trusting in your mercy and dependent upon your grace, we offer these prayers to you whose word alone holds true.
C: Amen.