Lutheran Campus Ministry-Twin Cities (LCM-TC) thanks the Minneapolis Area Synod for your consistent support and encouragement of our collective ministry to students, faculty and staff at the U. We are deeply grateful for the many ways you; as a whole synod, as congregations and individuals have helped us forward to ensure a stable, healthy and vibrant ministry for a many years to come.

LCM-TC continues to embrace the paradox of radical hospitality and welcome to those outside our doors, while caring and nurturing the committed young Christians that comprise the core of our faith community. Some ministry highlights from this fall and early spring:

* A lively and engaged group of servant leaders and new students, whose energy has helped the ministry thrive and grow this year.
* The culmination of a two year seminary internship exploring outreach in Dinkytown, funded by University Lutheran Church of Hope and the Minneapolis Area Synod. Thank you!
* Emerging partnerships with diverse student groups, including the Black Student Union, the Muslim Student Association, Active Minds (the student mental health advocacy group), and the Aurora Center (the sexual violence and assault center).
* Engaging members of your congregations through our Faith and Leadership Institutes where students hear from community leaders about how their faith informs their work to build a better world. Topics this year, among others, have included: Faith, Science and the University; Milllenials, Race and Faith; Spirituality, Leadership and Mental Illness, and Money, Power and Faith.
* Celebrating the baptism of a student, among in the intergenerational community of Grace University Lutheran Church on December 20, 2015.
* The energy and enthusiasm around our weekly worship service, called pause, attended by an average of 50 students every Wednesday night at 9pm.
* Traveling to San Diego and Tiajuana for a Border Immersion during our annual alternative spring break trip.
* Just as our student leadership team has grown, each of our ministries has also seen growth in numbers as well as depth of responsibility and commitment.  This is in large part due to a solid team of warm and hard working students who give freely of their time and their hearts.

We are grateful for the many blessings of partnering with Grace University Lutheran Church and University Lutheran Church of Hope, as we practice being church together.  It is life giving to partner with healthy congregations, and to involve students in the intergenerational life of these communities.

We welcome your partnership and look forward to continuing this important work together.

Pastor Kate Reuer Welton, and the Lutheran Campus Ministry-Twin Cities’ Board of Directors