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**MISSION TEAMS**

**Mission Through Congregations**

**Lutheran Campus Ministry - University of Delaware**

The Mission of Lutheran Campus Ministry at the University of Delaware is “to show our faith in God through fellowship, outreach, and service.” LCM has lived into this mission in the following ways in 2007:

- Fellowship for about 20 students includes such activities as Tuesday evening "Supper and Evening Prayer," Wednesday noon lunch, Thursday morning breakfast and theological reflection, Sunday morning at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, bible study, and social activities.
- The Lutheran Student Association's growth in outreach included a banquet and silent auction in October, the proceeds of which were committed to mission development, with view to expansion of campus ministry facilities.
- Community service projects include ecumenical events and retreats and service projects with Lutheran campus ministries from other colleges and universities in the Mid-Atlantic Region. LSA also continues to offer, in cooperation with Lutheran Community Services and St. Paul's Lutheran Church, a food distribution and tutoring program serving about fifty low income area families. We also participated in “Relay for Life,” the University of Delaware's fund raising event for cancer research, and in “Hilltop Superstars.”

Program for faculty and staff continues with festival and holy day worship announced publicly to the entire university, and social events to build a community among Lutheran faculty and staff.

Property continues to be maintained at a high level, thanks to healthy volunteer efforts.

Hospitality is a big word in campus ministry. A number of volunteers from area congregations provide meals on Tuesday evenings. We appreciate this greatly. Meals are a major financial commitment, students love home-cooked meals. It is also a great opportunity for students from outside the area and the local people to meet each other. Concerns: As program and property development move ahead, Lutheran Campus Ministry at the University of Delaware continues to look for leadership from area congregations to serve on the directing committee or to be involved in subcommittees. People with expertise in public relations and in increasing the ministry's financial base will be especially helpful.

Staff development: LCM expects to add administrative support early in 2008.

Serving on the Directing Committee of Lutheran Campus Ministry at the University of Delaware are Janet Mease and Kathy Kasmar, St. Paul's, co-chairing; Pastor Matt Hummel, St. Stephen's, vice chair; Shirley Glines, St. Paul's, secretary; Tina Guerrette, St. Paul's, treasurer; Rick Fuller, Zion, property; and members-at-large Doug Smythe, Hope; Gene Zaiser, Tree of Life; and Matt Kasmar, Karen Peterson, and Chris Ebert, all of St. Paul's.

We are grateful to area Lutheran congregations for their continuing financial and other support. We would like to suggest several other ways in which the congregation might be further involved with the campus ministry:

- Campus ministry students are interested in pursuing activity with your youth group.
- Participation in the Tuesday night meal program.
- St. Paul's Chapel is well-equipped and available to you for congregational council or committee retreats or planning sessions, or for youth ministry activities. We invite your use of the space!

***The Rev. Bruce Allen Heggen, campus pastor***