



## Lutheran Campus Ministry—MSU Bozeman

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*Whenever anyone asks you to speak of your hope, be ready to defend it. Yet do this with respectful humility, maintaining a good conscience. 1 Peter 3:15b-16a (CEB)*

### *A Christian Community Encouraging Faith on and Beyond Campus*

The year past has included Sunday Night Worship, Thursday dinners together, faculty and staff gatherings, seasonal fun events such as pumpkin carving and Thanksgiving Day meal. We've hosted the community Taizé Payer and shared a faith and science series, *Painting the Stars*, with Hope Lutheran. We have served the wider community through Gallatin Valley Interfaith Association, CAP mentoring at local public schools, Community Café, and the local food bank.

Our campus pastor for the past fourteen years, Timothy Spring, will complete his service on May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016. We are grateful for his years of leadership, creativity, and genuine love for students, faculty, staff, and the wider Bozeman community. We bid him farewell and Godspeed as he begins a new chapter in life and ministry.

During the next year the ministry will be served by Annie Langseth, new intern at Hope Lutheran Church, Bozeman. The board will be assessing future needs and opportunities moving into the future.

One of the ecumenical gifts we share with United Methodists and Episcopalians is the Christus Collegium, Center for Campus Ministry. During the past year we completed over \$75,000 in capital improvements and renovations centered on our gathering space, kitchen, and creating a fully accessible space. Thanks in part to a generous \$25,000 grant from National Lutheran Campus Ministry, Inc. These projects allow us to continue to be a place of welcome and hospitality for all. The Christus Collegium has dorm-style housing for MSU students. Students from supporting denominations are encouraged to apply. Lutheran Social Services of Montana continues to maintain an office and services at the Christus Collegium.

Finally, we are grateful for the generous support of prayers, student referrals, and gifts to Lutheran Campus Ministry from churchwide, the Montana Synod, congregations, WELCA groups, Thrivent Choice Dollars, individual donors, and fundraisers. Increasingly, our funding comes from these latter sources. Thank you for the partnership we share and the privilege of serving on your behalf.

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