



Lutheran Episcopal Campus Ministry

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Grant Report to the Episcopal Diocese of Colorado Front Range Region

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Terrie Abbot, Chair LECM Board

Thanks to the generous support of the grant we received from the Front Range Region, Lutheran Episcopal Campus Ministry in Greeley, CO (LECM) has continued to grow and develop our student leadership program in 2025. The grant allowed us to hire three student staff leaders.

Our Community Minister focused on the student community by helping the campus pastor plan events, communicate with students, and lead several programs. Community Minister, Abigail Johnson, helped LECM be more connected on campus, overseeing our Registered Student Organization status, managing on-campus communications, and networking with other student organizations and their members.

Our Worship & Music Minister, Michael Kirkpatrick, brought music and singing to our weekly worship gatherings, planning and leading a variety of devotions at Sunday Dinner Church and retreats, and providing an active creative presence among our leadership team. Michael graduated in May and Judson Lee has taken over this position.

Our Minister for Congregational Outreach graduated in December and we have not yet been able to recruit a student to this position, but hope to fill it when school resumes in August.

Our Campus Pastor, Monica Butler, resigned in December and we have not yet hired another pastor. Our student ministers have been an integral part of our search, serving on the profile committee and meeting with students, alumni and interested partners through listening sessions to help us map our way forward.

It has been a tough semester with key members of our ministry graduating in December and not having a campus pastor on board. The board stepped up and kept the program running through Spring Semester. Three of our board members offered communion services on a rotating basis throughout the Spring. We also employed Deacon for a short time Korra Looschen to help with ministry, but she took another position so was unable to finish out the semester.

We are very grateful for the help we have received from the Front Range Region through this grant. It has been instrumental in helping us to grow our students into their leadership roles in this community.

Thoughts from our Worship Minister

Serving in this position, I discovered a deeper understanding of myself through my faith. I learned that faith is essential and that not all faith-based communities are the same. Our mission statement is centered around the fact that LECM is a Reconciling in Christ organization, meaning it is aware that some faith-based communities do harm and it is trying to learn and grow because of that. This fact is the reason why I chose to stay in LECM, and it's the reason I chose to keep my faith. I looked forward to seeing a beautiful group of people every Sunday and to be able to share food with them. I enjoyed bringing people together through music, both at LECM and at other congregations.

— Michael Kirkpatrick, Worship & Music Minister, 2024-2025



Community Minister, Abigail Johnson, and Deacon Korra Looschen attended the Winter Retreat sponsored by Urban Servant Corps.



Students and board members at our end of the year celebration.