

# LUTHER HOUSE NEWS



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Expanding Minds, Deepening Faith, Inspiring Service, Building Community

### LUTHER HOUSE: THANKFULNESS AND JOY

As we approach the end of the year, I want to offer some signs of thankfulness and joy that I have experienced in this past year as a way for all who support Luther House to perhaps get a closer look at what God is doing in our midst.

First and foremost, I am thankful for this wonderful community. Even when the days are long and the work is consuming, I am always pinching myself because I am lucky and blessed to serve as pastor at Luther House. My joy is that we are just getting started and I'm like a kid on Christmas morning waiting to see what opens next for us.

I'm thankful for the five lovely humans who live at Luther House and every person who stops by to visit, to park their cars, to use the facilities, or joins us on Wednesday nights for a meal and bible study. My joy is that we are welcoming new faces (*slowly!*) and showing up at events like Indigenous Peoples' Day on campus to broaden who we encounter. We also continue to grow in our ecumenical work alongside St. Thomas of Canterbury Episcopal Church, with our joint venture we call "LutherBury."

I'm thankful for the Rocky Mountain Synod, both for generously supporting our work and the other sites that do this unique work. I'm grateful for Pastor Leslie Welton who shepherds our campus ministry part of faith formation. My joy is that Synod Assembly is in Albuquerque this May and we will have an opportunity to show off why campus ministry matters with folks who attend an excursion as part of that event. We have a lot to share and I'm excited to highlight the talents of our community.

I'm thankful for the congregations in Albuquerque, Rio Rancho, Santa Fe, and Los Alamos who have invited and hosted me for preaching and teaching events and who also make a commitment to financially contribute to our collective work. I'm thankful for every single check or gift that you send to us! My joy is that I still have a few congregations to get to

and we have some new partnerships emerging that are going to bring new life to our ministry at UNM and CNM.

I'm thankful for my board, John, Rob, Pastor Chuck, Ed, Bruce, and our newest board member Cassandra. We are only able to work whatever we do on campus and in the midst of students' lives thanks to these dedicated folks who show up and do the work of supporting me and the student interns behind the scenes. My joy is that we have room for more help! We need thankful and joyful folks like you to serve and make Luther House what it could be. So do want to join us?

*Pastor Bre Roberts*

**NEW DATE**

**Luther House invites you:**

**carols + cheer**

A FUNDRAISER FOR  
LUTHERAN CAMPUS MINISTRY

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9TH  
FROM 3-5PM

Join us for a chance to sing Christmas carols while enjoying the tastes of Broken Trail Distillery and Brewery (6902 Menaul Blvd. NE), all to support Lutheran Campus Ministry at this family-friendly event. Musicians **Pauleta Hendrickson** and **Clara Byom** will guide us through favorite holiday sounds just like Brother Martin did over table talks in Wittenberg. 15% of the money you spend on drinks and food will come back to Luther House, so bring your congregation, family, and friends!

