

LUTHER HOUSE NEWS

Lutheran Campus Ministry @ UNM & CNM

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EXPANDING MINDS, DEEPENING FAITH, INSPIRING SERVICE, BUILDING COMMUNITY

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Meet The Residents Of Luther House

A new academic year means a new host of changes, including new housemates at Luther House. We are excited to have new faces, welcome back familiar ones, and work together to make our space welcoming to all. Let's meet our residents:

- **Kehinde “Kenny” Ogunade**, from Nigeria, completed his Master of Accounting program and is living with us another year as he applies for Ph.D. programs. Kenny likes cooking, spending time at the library studying for CPA exams, and occasionally bursting into praise songs.
- **Fernanda Banda** is from Chihuahua, Mexico and is a student at CNM and UNM studying physics. She is very creative and generous with her time and energy. Fernanda also works for NM Dream Team writing policy as their advocacy fellow in their work to build power for immigrant communities in New Mexico.
- **Xavier Barraza** is a CNM student who also works for Together For Brothers, a non-profit that builds the capacity of young men of color in Albuquerque. Xavier is also one of our Luther House interns who makes this ministry possible. Xavier likes philosophy, riding his bike, and cooking tasty vegan food.
- **Rado Josoa** is from Madagascar and grew up here in Albuquerque. He is a sophomore who is considering a major in Computer Science. Rado likes playing video games, watching soccer, and hanging out with his friends.
- **Rindra Josoa** is also a Burqueño via Madagascar and brother to Rado. He is a freshman who is majoring in International Studies. Rindra likes playing Fortnite and is a thoughtful participant in our Wednesday night discussions.

- **Lexi Velasquez** is a joyful senior from Chicago with a Vocal Performance major. Lexi makes use of our piano and chapel to practice during the week and she worships regularly at St. Paul Lutheran Church.

In addition to these housemates, we also have an additional Luther House intern, **Jaen Ugalde**, who is completing his Master's degree in Language, Literacy, and Educational Thought. He is a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church and always a connecting presence between Luther House and the wider UNM community. These young adults are a community that is not quite intentional, not quite just roommates, but learning to see and honor the Divine in all those who live and work within the walls of Luther House. I ask for your prayers, for your support in many forms, and for your advocacy, that campus ministry continue to flourish at our abode and around the country.

Pastor Bre Roberts



A picture of Luther House folks after bible study and worship after attending UNM LGBTQ Resource Center's Welcome Back BBQ.



LUTHER HOUSE INVITES YOU

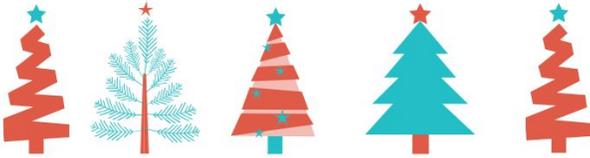
2ND ANNUAL CAROLS & CHEER

Sing and enjoy local sips with fellow supporters of Lutheran Campus Ministry!

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15
2 PM TO 4 PM

BROKEN TRAIL UPTOWN TASTING ROOM
6902 MENAUL BLVD (AT LOUISIANA)

Questions? Contact Pastor Bre:
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GOD'S WORK, YOUR HANDS!

Since 2013, thousands of ELCA congregations have participated in this dedicated day of service, gathering to serve communities in ways that share the love of God with all of God's people. The event has quickly become an anticipated way to be "church together" and "church for the sake of the world."

This year in Albuquerque, on Saturday, September 8th, Lutherans gathered at a food bank, a community farm, and Luther House! Volunteers helped pull weeds, dig up grass, scrape cabinets, tape walls, paint, paint, and paint, as well as talk to each other while serving their neighbor together. We are especially grateful to Jean and Mark Eickhoff from St. Tim's Lutheran Church who have continued to get the paint job in our kitchen done long after that day!

Thanks to Anthony Harkness and Bert and Barbara Blackwell for organizing this day of faithful action and for everyone who participated from congregations around the city!

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Our hands.**

