

How do I commit to becoming a Sustaining Presence for Luther House?

For those of you who already give generously, we thank you. We ask that you prayerfully consider giving an additional amount—above your current gift amount—and commit to that extra amount for a 2-year or 3-year time frame.

For those of you who have not yet given financial support, we ask you to prayerfully consider becoming a Sustaining Presence.

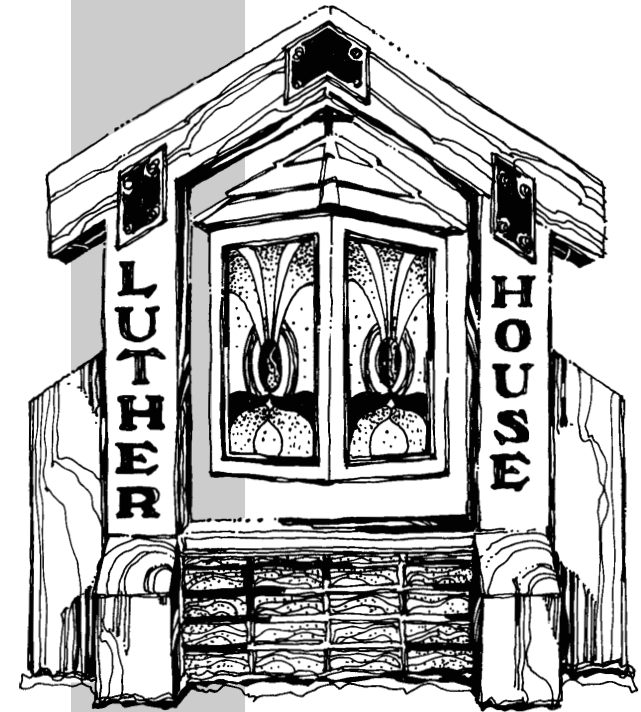


You could commit to giving a lump sum payment (\$50, \$100, etc.) once each year for the next two years, or to donating a specified amount each month (\$20, \$50, \$100, etc.) for the next two years. At this time, we ask that you give prayerful thought about what commitment you can make to Luther House.

Then return the enclosed commitment card to Luther House, 211 NW 23rd , Corvallis, OR 97330. It's that simple!

Be assured that gifts of all sizes are greatly appreciated. Thank you for your on-going support of this ministry.

The Sustaining Presence Program



**Lutheran Campus Ministry
211 NW 23rd Street
Corvallis, OR 97330**

What is "Sustaining Presence"?

Sustaining Presence is...

- Sharing of God's love with students and young people through the Luther House community;
- Extended reach of caring individuals to young people via Luther House;
- YOUR personal sustained commitment to students in higher education by regular financial support of the Luther House ministry.

The Sustaining Presence program is an intentional effort to raise funds for ongoing operational support of the ministry through Luther House.

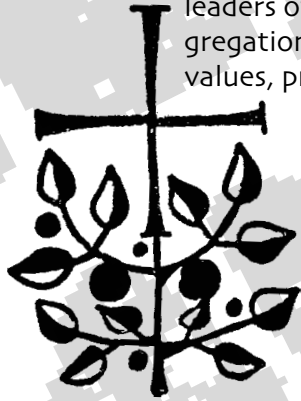
Why is this effort being made now?

We have relied on church-body and congregational support. Although generous in many cases, is not enough to cover the current needs and growth of this ministry. When compounded with the current economic trend, it is clear that a more intentional outreach is necessary.

Luther House has many dedicated and faithful individuals who routinely offer financial support. Up until now, we have thought of those funds as providing for "extras"—new program development, unexpected expenses, etc. Now is the time to focus on the power of individual support to not only provide for "extras" but also to help sustain the *basic* needs of the ministry.

Why give to Campus Ministry?

This ministry serves young adults, eager to explore their expanding world, during a highly transitional time of life. These educated youth, future leaders of our communities and congregations, seek to define their own values, priorities, and faith journey.



It is essential we provide a supportive link to the church if we want our future leaders to continue to grow in their Christian faith. Lutheran Campus Ministry can be that link.

Throughout its 75-year-long history, Luther House has provided support and ministry to young adults in higher education (as well as to faculty, staff, and friends) by:

- listening to their struggles
- celebrating their successes
- helping to guide their emerging faith journey
- and revealing—sometimes in a quiet way—the workings of God in our midst.

What will these gifts go toward?

These gifts will be used for many of our current and ongoing ministries including: midweek worship, Bible study, book study, Tuesday Lunch, First Sunday Pizza, Stone Soup, hosting special speakers, one-on-one conversations, counseling, faith and science explorations, studies in faith & life relationships, socials for relationship and community building.

These gifts also could be used to support special ongoing projects and new growth ministries like "Transition State University" (helping congregations reach out to college students), the Twelve Month Guide for Congregations that Care About Students, outreach to Community College students as well as University students, and connecting students with local to global service opportunities.

