

Here We Care

Innovative Missional Ministry

Initiative Goal: \$3,000,000.00



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It is through this ability to react and respond with “Witness, Mercy, and Life Together” missional ministry that we have remained relevant to the generation in which we live. While what we experience as LCMS Lutheran Christians today may not have been what those who came before us experienced, we know it represents the same theological and Scriptural foundations of our forefathers. Throughout the generations, new and innovative missional ministries have been developed in order to help congregations prepare for, and meet, the spiritual and social ministry needs of their communities. These ministry initiatives have allowed congregations to continue to deliver the Gospel in an ever-changing society which requires that we disciple the saved and reach the lost.

To support and encourage Innovative Missional Ministry development in the Michigan District congregations and schools, the 500th Anniversary Celebration Campaign will provide funding assistance to those entities that create, develop and implement innovative mission and ministry opportunities that meet the objective of this initiative, which is to grow Christ’s Kingdom. Please join us in this historic endeavor.



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