



AUGUST 2014 DEVOTION

Strengthening and Expanding Campus Ministry \$100,000

Leader: In the name of our Triune God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Read together: (Say or sing.)

**Lord, take my hand and lead me upon life's way;
Direct, protect, and feed me from day to day.
Without Your grace and favor I go astray;
So take my hand, O Savior, and lead the way. (LSB 722, v. 1)**

Leader: Dear Lord, as many of our church's youth go off to college, we thank You for Your direction in their lives daily. We praise and thank You as well for our Synod's campus ministry—the virtual campus of LCMS U. May the ministry offered through LCMS U help provide resources and ways Your leading hand will be made known to all those on campus. In Jesus' precious name we pray. Amen.

Read together: (Say or sing.)

**Lord, when the tempest rages, I need not fear,
For You, the Rock of Ages, are always near.
Close by Your side abiding, I fear no foe,
For when Your hand is guiding, in peace I go. (LSB 722, v. 2)**

Leader: Oh Lord, we are eternally grateful to You that even though the devil rages all around us. You are forever our Rock of Ages. Those on college campuses are often surrounded by trials and temptations, and we appreciate LCMS U being available online as a support for our students in the campus ministry life. We pray our hands will join in this ministry as we are guided by Your hand. In the name of our loving Savior we pray. Amen

Read together: (Say or sing.)

**Lord, when the shadows lengthen and night has come,
I know that You will strengthen my steps toward home.
Then nothing can impede me, oh blessed Friend;
So take my hand and lead me unto the end. (LSB 722, v. 3)**

Leader: Lord, as we ask for Your leading hand to be with us until our days on earth are over, we pray for Your leading hand to always be strengthening those on our college campuses so that the students of our Synod may be a guiding hand to others, showing the light of Christ. Please bless the efforts of LCMS U and those of us prayerfully and financially supporting it. In the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.