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2019–2021 LWML MISSION GRANT #14

Hope and Healing Through the Word

PRAYER GUIDE FOR LWML MISSION GRANTS

Prayers for God's love and Word, proclaimed at the University Lutheran Chapel in Lincoln, Nebraska, to bring hope and healing.

PRAYER #1

Dear Lord, we thank You for Your mercy and Your healing. We also thank You for the Christian counseling services through Grace Point Institute for Relational Health. We pray that these services at the University Lutheran Chapel Hub may bring hope for many students through Your healing! In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

PRAYER #2

Heavenly Father, Your Word promises peace and healing within the soul. Proverbs 16:24 states, *Gracious words are like a honeycomb, sweetness to the soul and health to the body.* We praise and thank You for Your Word and thank You for the hope that is received through the body and blood of our Savior. We pray that Your love and Your Word are proclaimed daily at the University Lutheran Chapel. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.

PRAYER #3

Let me hear in the morning of Your steadfast love, for in You I trust. *Make me know the way I should go, for to you I lift up my soul* (Psalm 143:8). Lord, You know the struggles faced by college students that cause them to contemplate suicide. We pray that this mission grant will bear fruit and that the students at the University of Nebraska campus hear Your Word and trust that hope and healing are found in You. In Your holy name we pray. Amen.

PRAYER #4

Precious heavenly Father, we pray that our mission goal offerings for Mission Grant #14, Hope and Healing Hub of Downtown Lincoln, will be blessed by You. In thanksgiving and praise, we give You these offerings so they will provide hope and healing to the University of Nebraska students and young people in the surrounding area. We pray that they may hear Your Holy Word and receive Jesus' life-sustaining body and blood. In His holy name we pray. Amen.



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HOPE AND HEALING HUB OF DOWNTOWN LINCOLN LCMS Nebraska District — \$50,000

“Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light”
(Matthew 11:28-30).

The University Lutheran Chapel is advantageously located at the very edge of the University of Nebraska campus in the heart of downtown Lincoln, Nebraska. More than 26,000 students live and study there, with 2,700 of those young adults being international students from around the world. Additionally, the surrounding neighborhood is home to thousands of recently-graduated millennials. The students currently involved in worship, Bible study, and discipleship at the chapel are a great connecting point for others to enter the chapel community, and are also a link for the international students to acquire assistance with English language skills and American culture. This Hope and Healing Hub of Downtown Lincoln mission grant will help with needed renovations of the University Lutheran Chapel, making it a more accessible place for counseling and other student services.

The ministry of this chapel addresses the very real problem of young adults being especially susceptible to depression leading to suicide. Suicide is the second most common cause of death among college students. The renovated space has been designed to include a dedicated space for Christian counseling services through Grace Point Institute for Relational Health. In addition, it provides a larger student union space for students to gather and build relationships. It will encourage fellowship and foster new relationships to form and grow, while offering Christian counseling services to those who need to hear of God's love for them. The Hope and Healing Hub will be a place where anyone can come to be loved, to be healed with the help of Christian counselors, and to receive hope through Word and Sacrament. This center is designed to be open and welcoming to all in the community, both students on campus as well as to the public in the surrounding neighborhood.

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