

The purpose of the Mission Moment:

- <u>To increase</u> awareness of our missions to the LCVH church family.
- <u>To inspire</u> greater participation by our congregation in these missions.
- <u>To invite</u> prayer petitions on behalf of these missions.
- <u>To thank</u> God for the privilege to partner in missions.

This week's spotlight...

Supporting Pastoral Education

In the recent history of LCVH, we supported the formation of four future pastors through the vicarage program (pastor intern) at Concordia Seminary, Saint Louis. Paul Albers and Christopher McCarthy are both serving congregations in South Dakota. Kyle Will and Luke Watt will receive placements on May 2. We are currently taking a break from the vicarage program and we will prayerfully see where the Lord leads in the years ahead!

Our support of sending pastors into the harvest fields also includes two other avenues.

*Our Senior Bible Study participates in the *Seminary Adopt-a-Student Program*. The seminary assigns a student to the group and through financial support, prayer support and correspondence the group serves as a source of encouragement to these future pastors.

*LCVH established the "Hellmers Seminary Scholarship Fund" at Concordia Seminary in Saint Louis. The name of the fund was given in honor to Pastor Hellmers and his 40 years of faithful and fruitful service. The principle of the fund (currently ~ \$42,000) continues to grow while the interest is given out each year in scholarship. You can continue to give to this fund by marking your envelope: "Hellmers Seminary Scholarship Fund." We also continue to support this fund with a line item in the annual general church budget.