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UPCOMING EVENTS

May 17 4:00 and 7:30 pm (*repeated concerts*) Commencement Concerts Chapel of the Christ

May 18 10:00 am Commencement Service

2:30 pm Call Service LSC Gymnasium

May 19 - 24 Wind Symphony Tour

Visit our website for more event details.

Let the Children Come Report: (As of April 19, 2013)

Total gifts received: \$ 2,900,000 Towards new building: \$ 2,720,000 Towards scholarships and programs: \$ 180,000 Est. gap in funding: \$ 690,000 Eligible for matching*: \$ 80,000

* A group of donors has presented \$1.25M to MLC as a challenge grant. Through June 2013, this group of donors will match gifts for *Let the Children Come* <u>dollar for dollar up</u> to \$1.25M. Visit our website for more details.

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Update on Current and Future Positions

Martin Luther College will be welcoming many new faces to our campus next year. Some will be filling new positions and directing new programs. Some will be serving in our new Early Childhood Learning Center. Others will be filling the shoes of professors who will be retiring. The list of retirees include Professors Susan Haar (*pictured right in the red coat*), Carla Melendy, Mark Lenz, John Gronholz, John Nolte, and Mr. Jonathan Scharlemann. Many calls have already been



accepted, though a number are still under deliberation. We ask God to bless all these new and retiring servants as well as all who are considering a call to MLC. See our <u>website</u> for details.

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Commencement/Call Service Weekend

MLC will celebrate God's blessings on ministerial education Friday and Saturday, May 17 and 18. On Friday, four choirs, handbell choir, and wind symphony will present our year-end Commencement Concerts at 4:00 pm and 7:30 pm in the Chapel of the Christ. On Saturday, our annual Commencement Service will be held in the Luther Student Center Gymnasium at 10:00 am. A total of 139 graduates will participate in the service. Included in that total are 32 preseminary



graduates and 10 graduates of our master's program. Our Call Service will be held at 2:30 in the gymnasium. At the time of this report, 92 candidates will be eligible to receive assignments into the teaching ministry. That includes 12 early childhood candidates.

Wind Symphony Tour Heads East

The MLC Wind Symphony is looking forward to sharing music and encouragement as they head east May 19-23 with stops in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, and Ontario. Featured works on the program include *Xerxes*, a unique treatment of the traditional concert march form composed by John Mackey. Also on the program will be Holst's *First Suite in Eb* and Henry Fillmore's *The Circus Bee*. The final feature work on the program will be Eric Whitacre's *Godzilla*



Eats Las Vegas, a tongue-in-cheek, programmatic work with all the thrills and spills of a classic "B-movie" thriller! For information on a concert near you, see the tour itinerary on our website.