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## College Choir Tour 2019

This spring break, the MLC College Choir loaded up the bus for their annual tour. They crossed the Midwest, singing a concert or two per day and staying with host families along the way. They even brought their beautiful selection of songs to all of you at Illinois LHS, Michigan LHS, Huron Valley LHS, MLS, KML, and Northland LHS!

Some of you may have also stepped up on the risers and joined the choir in singing “I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light.” “Singing with the students or church choirs from each location was really special,” says **Aimee Olsen** (*Manitowoc LHS/ Zion-Kiel WI, pictured*). “It emphasized that we are all brothers and sisters in Christ working together toward the eternal goal of heaven.”

College Choir includes first-years through seniors, so for some this was a new experience, while others were used to the tour routine. “This tour we all got so close,” says **Jazzmin Sanchez** (*WISCO / St. Peter-Milwaukee*). “I really got to know people on a different level.”

Spending a chunk of spring break on choir tour is a big commitment, but it brings loads of blessings. “The concert became even more meaningful for me every time we sang,” says **Mark Burger** (*MLS / Shepherd of the Hills-Lansing MI*). “Another favorite part was definitely eating all of the great food the churches prepared for us!”

In spring 2020, College Choir is touring the South Atlantic District. Do you want to come along? For first-year students, MLC College Choir auditions take place the first days of fall semester. You can also audition for Chorale, Männerchor, or Women’s Choir. All of these offer fantastic opportunities to praise our God in song here at MLC.



## “And That’s How I Ended Up Here”

After high school, **Andrew Ronholt** (*Evergreen LHS/ Bethany-Port Orchard WA*) didn’t come right to MLC. Instead, he studied industrial electronics. He enjoyed it, but he wasn’t satisfied. “I never could shake the idea of being a pastor,” Andrew says. “I couldn’t think of anything better than being in God’s Word every day and having the privilege to share the most important words anyone can ever hear. And that’s how I ended up here.”

As a first-year student, Andrew is part of AVCO, which streams chapel services and keeps tech running smoothly for talent shows and presentations, and he also played football. “The thing that makes any activity at MLC so great is the people,” he says. “It’s super cool to be on a team and create friendships with people you’ll work with in the ministry one day.”

Knight football had an exceptional season this year led by Coach Mark Stein, who awarded Andrew the sportsmanship award. “Andrew is the ultimate servant leader,” says Coach Stein. “He understands the idea of giving and not looking for anything in return. He was the first one to practice, helped set up, looked to learn, and supported his teammates.”

Andrew’s MLC favorites include chicken bacon ranch pizza from the caf, Prof. Fredrich’s Latin class, VP Schone’s Plowabratons, and daily chapel services.

**Andrew’s advice for you:** “If you think you might want to come to MLC, I highly encourage it. Try it out! In whatever you do, though, give glory to God and share his Word whenever you can. Sure, a career in ministry isn’t for everyone, but God’s grace is.”