

MARTIN LUTHER COLLEGE

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Kostiantyn Skorenkyi (*LPS / Confessional Ev. Church-Ukraine*) reads a lesson in Ukrainian while Pastor Öman stands behind.



Top: STEM&M members are ready to work. *Bottom:* **Ben Hillmer** (*LPS / St. Matthew-Oconomowoc WI*) plays trombone in the Wind Symphony concert.



A Universal Message

MLC may be located in the small and predominantly German town of New Ulm, but we love celebrating the spread of the gospel throughout the world.

At the World Mission Service, students heard guest preacher Pastor Peter Öman's sermon and learned about his ministry in Sweden. The choirs edified the service in Swedish and Zulu, and international students served as cross-bearers, candle-bearers, or lectors.

Senior **Karissa Nolte** (*MVL / Beautiful Savior-Grove City OH*) says, "The whole service provides such a cool way to reflect on the universality of our message—that Jesus is for everyone."

Some students don't stop with chapel. After graduating, many students opt to serve internationally in places as far away as China!

Seeds of Science

It was a beautiful day, but members of the STEM&M club ("M" for ministry!) weren't in the neighborhood. Instead they took a trip to Minneopa State Park.

"Our group was collecting the seeds of a plant called big bluestem," says club president **Sofia Spiegelberg** (*LPS / Saving Grace-Mobile AL*). "Minnesota is working on restoring its native grasslands, and we were a part of that process by collecting and cleaning the seeds to be replanted somewhere else."

Noah Arnold (*LPS / St. Paul-Oconto Falls WI*) adds, "It was a great opportunity to experience a little bit of practical botany and ecology while also promoting these native plants and being good stewards of the earth God's given us."

STEM&M doesn't stop at seeds. They host monthly STEM challenges for the student body and are assembling a new 3D printer. Other plans include getting local schools involved and organizing STEM-related outings for MLC students.

Wind Band Classics

Last weekend Wind Symphony kicked off the year with an opening concert of classic pieces. "We had a great turnout, and it was an amazing concert," says **Joe Grambsch** (*Lakeside / Zion-Columbus WI*). What's a college ensemble like?

For **Tina Kehl** (*Lakeside / Zion-Columbus WI*) a big difference is the variety of players—from "different high schools, cities, states, and even countries!" Members also span every major on campus, but they all love playing their instruments.

Wind Symphony participants enjoy meeting new people and making friends, but one blessing tops even that. Tina says, "The best part of Wind Symphony is the great opportunity that we have to praise our God through music."