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Some friendly faces at the Fun Run: Kaitlyn Rodmyre (Evergreen LHS / Holy Trinity-Des Moines WA), Hannah Gabb (LPS / St. Paul-Beverly Hills FL), Claudia Stuebs (Lakeside LHS / St. Paul-Lake Mills WI), Maia Pankow (MLS / Trinity-Bay City MI), Emily Raymond (Lakeside LHS / Peace-Sun Prairie WI), Camella Kohl (LPS / Faith-Antioch IL), and Juliana Joya (California LHS / St. Paul First-North Hollywood CA)



**Luke** has really found his stride at Immanuel Lutheran in Hutchinson, Minnesota.



**Celia** loves to show her students how much she cares. Sometimes that means giving a little extra help!

## **Coming Home Again**

Last week MLC students woke up to an email announcing a special schedule—dodgeball, a "powder buff" volleyball tournament, Iron Chef competitions, and more? That's right—it was Homecoming week!

Hundreds of friends, family, seminarians, and other alumni flocked to MLC for the festivities, including an exciting football game and the annual Sprinter Fun Run. It was pretty special to see so many smiling faces on campus this year. It truly felt like everyone was home again after so much time away.

While training for ministry, almost nothing is more encouraging than filling up Chapel of the Christ for worship. Our God continues to bless MLC generation after generation, so enjoying a beautiful Homecoming service, complete with mass choir anthems, was a fantastic way to cap off a refreshing week.

## Going Out into the Mission Field

Almost two months into the semester, many of our senior education majors are spread out across the Midwest student teaching. After learning the ins and outs of classroom management, lesson planning, and making information stick, they've been eager to get their boots on the ground and apply it all.

"Last semester I taught a lot of 4th and 5th grade math to a room of 20-year-olds," said **Luke Schultz** (*LPS / Zion-Rhinelander WI*). "Working with *actual* 4th and 5th graders is completely different (and way more fun) than teaching my peers."

**Celia Fulton** (*WLA / Grace-Oshkosh WI*) added, "I've always wanted to serve people in some capacity, but I really found my niche in education. I get to have snack time, recess, brain breaks, and birthday treats pretty much every day. Name another job that's this awesome!"

Standing up in front of living, breathing children to teach for the first time can seem like an intimidating concept, but the MLC faculty works hard to give students the tools they'll need to succeed in the real world.

"In my Curriculum and Instruction course, I learned some tips and tricks to help control a multi-age classroom," Luke said. "Now that I'm student teaching in a classroom with five grades . . . I'm very glad I did. One creative way I've been able to get my students' attention is by yelling 'COWS!' The students respond by mooing for three seconds, and the whole room is quiet!"

Have you thought about what it would be like to student teach? **Laura Schrader** (*MLS / St. John-Saginaw MI*), who's working at St. Marcus in Milwaukee right now, offered some words of encouragement. "It's ok to feel uncomfortable or nervous at the thought of teaching someday," she said. "Teaching will give you the opportunity to change lives, and you'll learn so much from your students too."

Put yourself in Luke, Celia, or Laura's shoes. What a cool opportunity, right? The MLC faculty would be delighted to show you the ropes and get you ready to stand in front of a classroom of your own someday!