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## Your Hand Is Leading, Your Love Supporting

MARTIN LUTHER COLLEGE



Beginnings always find themselves in endings. Sports seasons wrap up, and athletes look forward to some rest before they kick-start their off-season training programs. Musicians deliver their last performances and return the sheet music from their folders, already looking forward to next year's season and all the memories it will bring. As the semester comes to a close, summer plans fall into place. We pack our belongings into boxes, getting ready to head wherever the warm months will take us.

As MLC students think about new calls, new jobs, vacations, and a little rest, it's hard not to be sentimental. We think about the friends we'll miss. We ponder the traditions that will soon become mere memories. Most of all, we realize the reason anything on this campus is worth missing is that God is so good to us. For the first time in three years, we've reached the end of a school year without interruptions, and God's providence was evident every step of the way. We were blessed with good health, beloved new additions to our campus family, and noggins that carry far more knowledge than when they arrived in the fall. Each and every day of the year, MLC students gathered around the Word and worshiped our Creator, Sustainer, and Savior. There's nothing better.

Only a few more exams and to-do lists stand between a big class of seniors and MLC's annual Call Day. If you listen in on the action, you'll hear the College Choir sing, "Give us faith to go out with courage, not knowing where we go. Your hand is leading, and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

This song epitomizes the reasons we study for ministry at MLC. We crave the chance to share our hope with a world that needs it. We faithfully study to be the best-equipped vessels we can be, with God's grace to keep us through it all. Most important, we put our trust in the one who guides our steps and gives us a reason to worship, for he will show us the way we should go.

Thanks be to God for providing students to train for ministry and a great place to do that training. We hope you'll be one of those students next fall—MLC will be waiting for you! God's blessings, and have a great summer!