

Making Music at MLC

The place to strengthen, showcase, and share your musical gifts is MLC! In our instrumental and choral ensembles, you'll find your people! Talented professors will push you in private lessons, and you'll get to perform. The best part: The emphasis here—always—is serving God's people and giving God glory. Read on to meet four students performing in our Honors Recital on May 17. Scan the QR code for their full interviews.



Emma Mindock (FVL / Mount Olive-Appleton WI)

Major: elementary ed & Spanish



Making Music Together: What I've loved most are the relationships. Being a part of a voice studio has allowed me to grow close with my oh-so-talented teacher, Jenny Haugen, and to grow not only in my musical abilities but also as a young Christian woman.

An Athlete Too: I've loved being a student-athlete as well as a musician because there's always understanding between professors and coaches as I

juggle my passions from day to day.

If God Wills: I'd love to be called to a place where my Spanish-speaking abilities can be utilized. I also pray that I can serve in other areas I am passionate about, such as coaching a sport or teaching music lessons. I look forward to May 2025, my Call Day, because I am beyond excited to see how and where God decides I should best serve.

Joe Panning (Litchfield HS / St. Paul-Litchfield MN)

Major: vocal & instrumental music ed



Major Undertaking: I love the tight-knit group of music majors here on campus. It's a ton of fun to study the inner workings of music together, and we enjoy a close working relationship with our professors.

If God Wills: I'm especially interested in being a high school music director. However, I am happy

to serve wherever the Lord calls me.

It's Unique: MLC offers so many unique opportunities for music that other colleges don't. I'd encourage anyone interested in music and ministry to reach out to an admissions counselor, professor, or student and find out what MLC has to offer!

Ben Foster (Grand Ledge HS / Emanuel First-Lansing MI)

Major: staff ministry & parish music

A Privilege: As an organist, I get to play almost monthly for chapel. Getting to accompany the campus family in their glorious singing is really a joyful and awe-inspiring experience!

If God Wills: I'd love to be a minister of music/staff minister—to teach Bible studies and confirmation class while also being in charge of the music part of worship.

This Campus: You should know that music is *everywhere* on this campus, and it's all centered around Jesus. I came from public school where we only did secular music. To come to MLC and have *all* the music centered around Jesus' work for us—it was really amazing. You will also be supported by *amazing* music professors whom you will form personal relationships with as they work to hone your craft!



Hope Sulzle (LPS / St. John-Redwood Falls MN)

Major: elementary ed

If God Wills: A call I'd love to fill one day would be having my own classroom in the primary grades, helping students grow spiritually and academically. Additionally, I'd love to apply what I've learned about music here at MLC to direct a children's choir, teach piano lessons, and play for church.

Worth It: MLC students will always have opportunities to use their musical talents and abilities. Take the opportunities you get. It is completely worth it and a tremendous blessing as you prepare for service in God's kingdom!

