#### Your gift will . . .

- Help endow a \$30,000 MLCAA scholarship.
- Celebrate the 25th anniversary of MLC with the gift of a statue of Christ calling us to follow him and "fish for people."
- Inspire and encourage prospective students, MLC students & faculty, and alumni in the public ministry.

### Benefits

As a focal point on campus, "Fisher of Men" will reinforce MLC's Christocentric mission and world view to visitors, families, and potential students. It will inspire and encourage MLC students, faculty, and staff, and remind one and all to pray for called workers and the gospel ministry.

The statue will serve as a visual reminder that Christ is at the center of Martin Luther College. Its waiting pose serves as motivation to answer

> Christ's call to be fishers of people. The statue's Bible passage-encircled granite base reinforces the message that workers in Christ's kingdom are called to use God's Word to bring people to Jesus. The MLCAA scholarship will offer ongoing support to the men and women who answer the call.

#### TIMELINE

- Fall 2017 to Fall 2019—receive gifts, donations, and contributions to the 25th anniversary Alumni Gift project.
- Fall 2019 to Summer 2020—erect "Fisher of Men" statue on the MLC campus.
- Fall 2020—dedicate statue in conjunction with MLC's silver jubilee.

#### INVEST IN MINISTRY!

Help us reach our \$100,000 goal to fund this project.

70% of every dollar given will go toward the "Fisher of Men" statue. The remaining 30% will go toward an MLCAA-endowed scholarship fund.

# Learn more at mlc-wels.edu/fishers-of-men



The Martin Luther College Alumni Association's purpose is to strengthen relationships between Martin Luther College (MLC) and its alumni, providing opportunities for alumni to serve their college, and for the college to serve its alumni.

#### MARTIN LUTHER COLLEGE



## Endowed Scholarship & Statue of Christ



## The Statue



"Fisher of Men" depicts Jesus Christ at the Sea of Galilee calling Andrew and Simon Peter to follow him and become fishers of men. Holding a cast net, a visual symbol of the call to ministry, Jesus awaits our response to the timeless question which all must answer.

The base of the bronze statue is a six-pointed Star of David, symbolizing Jesus' rise from the Jewish nation of Israel. In the points of the star are the visual symbols of Christ's authority: the Menorah, the Lamb, the Lion, the Vine, and the Alpha and Omega.

Christian artist Max Greiner, Jr. created the face of this statue as the result of prayer, referencing the oldest known authentic drawing of Jesus. At MLC, the statue's gaze will be directed at the cross atop the Chapel of the Christ—a visual reminder of Christ's saving work. Greiner's statues can be found on the campus of Wisconsin Lutheran College and other Christian colleges and universities around the United States. "Fisher of Men" is currently the only one of its kind in Minnesota and the surrounding states of Wisconsin, the Dakotas, Iowa, and Illinois.

"Come, follow me, and I will send you out to fish for people." - Matthew 4:19 (original Greek)

## PLACEMENT ON CAMPUS

The statue will be set at the center of the MLC mall on a base mirroring that of the campus' Luther statue, with Bible passages on all sides. Symbolically, Luther will be looking down the mall towards Christ, as he points to the Bible in his hand.

Further symbolism comes into play as MLC graduates and faculty traditionally pass this location in procession at the start of graduation ceremonies.



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NOTE: On your check, write "MLC Alumni Gift" in the memo line.

You can also call the alumni office during business hours at 507.354.1995 x387.

#### Donate online! It's easy!

- 1. Visit mlc-wels.edu/alumni.
- 2. Click on "Give to MLCAA."
- Designate your contribution amount, fill in the information for your electronic donation, and submit.

Shank you !