

## **Functions of the No. Va. Lutheran Campus Ministry**

**Worship Opportunities** – Provide opportunities to participate in Lutheran worship services on campus, in the community, retreats or youth conferences. These worship activities may be lead by the students, peer ministers or an ordained minister. The purpose is to provide relevant worship experiences which ground the community in Christian beliefs. Students may attend or have specific worship leadership roles. This will involve students, staff, outside individuals and/or agencies.

**Spiritual Formation** – Provide educational experiences to strengthen people’s faith in Jesus Christ. These experiences may come in many different forms such as classroom instruction, informal group discussions, Bible Study, presentations from leaders in the church and attending seminars and workshops. Educational experiences will also include peer minister training for students who have an interest and meet the criteria of the staff. Many of the educational opportunities will be held on campus but some may involve attending workshops at other universities, churches and/or at a nearby seminary. This will involved students, staff, outside agencies and/or individuals.

**Social Events** – Provide social activities to facilitate building a community of faith that is supportive for students on campus. In addition, social events will involve reaching out to students who are often not part of the campus ministry activities and/or other student organizations on campus. Activities may include concerts, barbeques, dances, sport activities. This will involve students and staff.

**Fundraising & Grant Writing** – Conduct activities to facilitate giving by the Northern Virginia Lutheran churches and other appropriate not-for-profit organizations. Formal applications will be submitted for grant monies and may include local or state governments. This will involved staff, students and Board of Directors.

**Counseling** – Provide pastoral counseling to students as requested. This may be career counseling associated with a denomination, personal issues and/or social issues. Career fields and opportunities in a church organization will be presented and explored with students. Scope of counseling will be within the purview of an ordained pastor and will not include psychological counseling that would require different credentials. This will involve an ordained pastor.

**Services Opportunities** – Students will be asked to participate in service projects that will involve helping people in need. This may include volunteering time or raising funds for charity organizations. Media to be used may be letter writing, formal proposals, setting up a kiosk on campus, various “item” sales and benefit concerts. This will involve students and staff.