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United Christian Ministries at Kent State University

Transforming lives through Christian wisdom, love and service



Kappa Phi Christian Sisterhood meets virtually



Students meet on campus following Kent States Flashes Safe 8



UCM interns preparing fellowship bags containing program materials, goodies, snacks and more!



Mari and incoming president, Kristen visiting the School of Art Galleries on campus this past April.



Students engaging from Ohio, to New Mexico, and even India.

CALLING ALL KSU STUDENTS: email ucm@kent.edu to receive a welcome gift in the mail.

EOC CAMPUS MINISTRY AMIDST THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC – Rev. Lauren Odell-Scott

Once Kent State University cancelled all in-person classes and began the process of sending students home for remote learning UCM continuously provided student ministry programs and support! United Christian Ministries (UCM) is the East Ohio Conference Board of Higher Education and Campus Ministry sponsored campus ministry. UCM's Generation Z parishioners are already skilled with remote technology, apps, and online meeting formats, so it was easy to transition to safely distanced programs extending from Ohio to the east coast and New Mexico, and now India!

UCM's campus ministry is needed more than ever! Generation Z has never experienced anything like this in their young lives. They report feeling fearful, depressed, isolated, finding it hard to get motivated and keeping up with the many changes in life and college. Not all students went home to family dinners, fuzzy blankets and security. For some, going home meant a return to dysfunctional or abusive family dynamics, unemployed parents, cramped quarters, and helping to homeschool their younger siblings. The LGBTQIA+ students have special concerns for safety and support! UCM students "repurposed" their program money into emergency, community and global service donations. From the beginning of the pandemic UCM has been fully engaged virtually, safely and continuously, and will remain for as long as it takes. Students and staff are already working to prepare hybrid programs staying hopeful for in-person capabilities for the Fall semester. With creative new approaches to recruitment, fundraising, outreach, service, social justice, Bible study and prayer support UCM is still in the ministry of making disciples for Jesus Christ! Please continue to support and pray for UCM and our world which God so greatly loves.

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