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Student reflection on program outcomes: an example

***A. Graduates will form and lead Christian communities gathered around Word and Sacrament for bold participation in God's mission.***

*(2a) With new urgency you will recognize the Holy Spirit's new opportunities for mission here in ever more diverse North American contexts.*

*(3a) You will understand the dynamics of systems and institutions and work creatively in the midst of them.*

*(8a) You will seek out opportunities for encounters and shared projects with neighbors that surround your faith communities.*

This reflection responds to program outcome A, and specifically competencies 2a, 3a, and 8a.

Let me first begin by expressing my gratitude for this program! I have never felt the love of Jesus Christ as clearly as at Luther Seminary.

As we learned in Christian Education class, we must see with both the eyes of the mind and the eyes of the heart. I can see that the Holy Spirit is drawing me into leadership in the church because there is so much dangerous agreement with false teaching all around me.

I am attaching to this reflection, as evidence of my ability to see Christ's work, a horrible cartoon which makes fun of the church. I can clearly see that this cartoon should be condemned wherever it was posted. The systems of media which make it possible for people to spread hatred of the church must be stopped. I am learning how to use facebook and twitter to make it clear that this kind of message is not from the Gospel.

I feel very urgent about combatting such messages of hatred toward the church, and helping our young people to be formed in faith that is focused on Christ Jesus.

I also feel very urgent about sharing the Good News with all of those people who have been led astray by false religions.

Next year I will work on the other program outcomes by taking the required classes.