Do you ever wonder?

How can I make a difference in the world today as a Christian? What does it mean to live as Christians in community? What are the issues, challenges, and new opportunities for people of faith in serving the common good from a spiritual perspective? How can I explore my gifts and grow as a whole, spiritual person? In what ways can I help congregations “re-think church” for diverse neighborhoods and new forms of partnership in ministry?

Perhaps God might be stirring in your life. Are you sensing a call to service? As a professional working in a non-profit organization, school, medical clinic, law firm or corporation? As a creative leader in a vibrant, relevant congregation? As someone curious about going to seminary or graduate school and exploring ordination? As a church staff member working in a specific area of ministry such as social justice, community health, environmental sustainability or music, drama and the arts?

Where do your “deep hungers” meet the “deep needs” of the world today?

This emerging program between Hamline University and Hamline Church United Methodist provides a new opportunity for students to explore their Christian vocations. The program is open to students from any Christian denomination, as well as seekers interested in exploring different types of ministry.

The Ministry Internship Program is a proposal to provide a congregational setting in which students can explore a call to service and ministry. The goal is for selected students to become integrated into the life of the congregation, experience various kinds of leadership, name their gifts, and choose a pathway for developing their skills further.

The 9 month program, which has room for up to 3 Hamline University students, will be organized around the academic year, beginning with the fall semester in September.
2011 and ending in early May 2012. The students will be supervised on site by Rev. Peter Boehlke, pastor of Hamline Church United Methodist.

It is also possible to consider this internship for LEAD credit as well—contact Lauren Kavan in the Career Development Center, 651-523-2054, lkavan01@hamline.edu.

The program will include opportunities to develop leadership and deepen your spiritual journey. There are weekly team meetings with Peter Boehlke, getting to know the congregation, leading in worship, reflecting theologically on scripture and spiritual writings, identifying one’s gifts, and sharing in spiritual disciplines. Over the 9 month period, each intern will develop and lead a project that will help link community, church and university in an original way.

Interns receive a stipend of $1000 a semester for 8-10 hours of engagement per week from the Mahle Endowment in Progressive Christian Thought, through the Wesley Center for Spirituality, Service and Social Justice.

**Applications will be accepted until May 4th, 4pm** at the Wesley Center for Spirituality, Service and Social Justice. See the following pages for the application process.

Interviews with Chaplain Nancy and Rev. Boehlke will take place in early May.

**ANY QUESTIONS?**

**Contact** Chaplain Nancy Victorin-Vangerud, Director of the Wesley Center for Spirituality, Service and Social Justice, at nvictorinvangerud01@hamline.edu, or 651-523-2750.
Application Form:
Ministry Internship Program 2012-2013
Wesley Center for Spirituality, Service and Social Justice

(please print clearly)

Name: _________________________________ Student ID #______________

Phone: _________________________________ Campus Box #______________

Address: ____________________________________________________________

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Preferred e-mail Address: __________________________________________________

Major (minor): _________________________________________________________

Year: __________________________

Best available times for interview: __________________________________________

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Please attach:

• A one to two page double-spaced Essay about why you are interested in this internship program between Hamline Church and Hamline University. Describe your background and previous leadership experience, and what you hope to learn by being a part of this spiritual leadership development program.

• A Letter of Recommendation from a Hamline University faculty or staff person should be sent to Chaplain Nancy Victorin-Vangerud at the Wesley Center for Spirituality, Service and Social Justice (see below for address or email).

• Send all materials to The Wesley Center for Spirituality, Service and Social Justice, Ministry Internship Program, MS A-1735, Hamline University, 1536 Hewitt Ave., St. Paul, MN 55104 or drop off at 742 Snelling Ave., or email to nvictorinvangerudo1@hamline.edu.