



2022/2023 ANNUAL REPORT



2022



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Dear friends, supporters, and members of
Meadville Lombard Community,

As we reflect on the past year, it is with a profound sense of gratitude and excitement that I share with you the remarkable achievements and forward momentum of Meadville Lombard Theological School. The year 2022/2023 has been a testament to our continued commitment to excellence, innovation, and the transformative power of a theological education inspired by Unitarian Universalist values. We are preparing leaders who are not only academically rigorous but also deeply imaginative, spiritually profound, and agents of change in a world that urgently needs them. This work is indeed shared ministry and you have partnered with us through your support, leadership, and sharing news with others of the work happening at Meadville Lombard.

2023

In 2023, we celebrated significant institutional milestones. Among them, I highlight a number that will be of interest to you. As an institution of higher learning, we undergo periodic visits from the Association of Theological Schools for reaccreditation (ATS). It is with joy that I share with you that during our Spring 2023 re-accreditation visit, we not only received re-accreditation from the Association of Theological Schools, but also were approved to launch a new Doctor of Ministry Program, of which I share more below. The ATS's visiting team highlighted our student-centered approach, the dedication of our faculty and staff to the formation of our students, and our transition to multi-platform facilities that underscores our ongoing work of removing barriers to access and fostering an inclusive, supportive learning environment. This achievement is a reflection of our collective efforts and the strength of our community.

In our continuous pursuit of addressing the pressing needs of our time and our learning community, we launched a groundbreaking Doctor of Ministry program with an emphasis on Social Justice Leadership. This initiative is a bold step towards equipping religious leaders and community leaders with the necessary skills and knowledge to champion justice and liberation within their ministerial and leadership contexts. The enthusiastic response and the formation of our first cohort underscore the critical importance of this work in today's world.

Moreover, we are on the cusp of celebrating a significant milestone as we prepare to commission our inaugural class of students who have completed their Spiritual Direction & Formation and Certification Program. With two more cohorts underway, we are

committed to deepening spiritual work and engagement in our communities at a time when spiritual care is more vital than ever.

The academic year 2022/23 also saw the welcome addition of new staff members across various departments, further enriching our vibrant community with fresh perspectives and expertise.

As we look to the future, we are excited about the strategic planning that will unfold, guiding us on our continued path of innovation and service. Grounded in Unitarian Universalist values and theological traditions, our mission is to prepare leaders who are not only rigorous in their analysis and academic preparation but also embody spiritual depth and the capacity for transformation. The world needs leaders who can navigate the complexities of our time with compassion, wisdom, and a commitment to justice.

I invite you to join us in this journey of growth and discovery. Together, we will continue to forge a future that honors our bright past and embraces the boundless possibilities of our bold future. Thank you for your continued support, belief in our mission, and commitment to shaping a world that reflects our values.

With deepest appreciation and excitement for what lies ahead,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'E. Ortega', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Elías Ortega, PhD
President

REV. DR. LEE BARKER PROFESSORSHIP IN LEADERSHIP STUDIES

To our esteemed supporter of the professorship,

As we reflect on the past year at Meadville Lombard Theological School, we are filled with gratitude for the myriad ways in which our community has come together to strengthen and advance our mission to support the preparation of future congregational and religious leaders in the Unitarian Universalist Tradition. Your unwavering support has been instrumental in enabling us to pursue our vision of fostering ministerial leadership within the liberal religious tradition of Unitarian Universalism.

One of the most significant milestones this year was the establishment and subsequent appointment to the Rev. Dr. Lee Barker Professorship of Leadership Studies. This achievement was made possible through your generous contributions, and it is with immense pleasure that I share with you the fruits of your vision and commitment.

In January 2023, we welcomed Rev. Kathryn House, PhD, as the Assistant Professor of Leadership Studies and Practical Theology and Chair of the Rev. Dr. Lee Barker Professorship of Leadership Studies. Dr. House's appointment marks a pivotal moment in our institution's history, embodying the very essence of the qualities and qualifications we sought to bring to this role.

Dr. House is a distinguished theological educator, whose pedagogical approach is deeply rooted in empowering students to engage with diverse traditions and texts critically. Her commitment to preparing students to lead with creativity and courage, grounded in a profound understanding of their contexts and communities, aligns perfectly with our mission. Her extensive experience as a teacher, scholar, and activist further underscores her dedication to transformative education.

Throughout her career, Dr. House has demonstrated an unwavering commitment to fostering ethical and effective leadership. Her roles have spanned from Instructional Coordinator for Distance Learning Initiatives to Project Director at the Myrtle



Collaboration, showcasing her versatility and dedication to advancing theological education. Her academic achievements, including a BA in Religion from Duke University and an MDiv and PhD in Theological Studies from the Boston University School of Theology, speak to her profound expertise and dedication to her field.

Your support has not only made the Rev. Dr. Lee Barker Professorship of Leadership Studies a reality but has also ensured that we honor your intentions by appointing a faculty member who exemplifies the highest standards of excellence and commitment to our shared values. Dr. House's appointment is a testament to what we can achieve together, and it is a beacon of hope for the future of ministerial leadership.

On behalf of the entire Meadville Lombard community, I extend our deepest thanks for your vision, generosity, and belief in our mission. Together, we are making a profound impact on the future of liberal religious leadership, and we are deeply grateful for your partnership in this journey.

Elías Ortega, PhD
President

■ Can you share with us a bit of your personal and religious journey?

I grew up in North Carolina, and I come from a very theologically grounded, richly Christian family. I was actually baptized Methodist and then later had a conversion experience in the Baptist Church. And so I grew up in a Southern Baptist Convention.

My religious faith was grounded in studying the Bible, nurturing that relationship with the divine. Reflecting on the relationship between the divine and the world has always been important to me. I always wanted to find the theological things, even in things that weren't the Christian Scriptures; I was also interested in how you read and how other people use different sources like literature to think theologically.

I studied religion as an undergrad and got my Masters and PhD degrees at Boston University. I've loved theology, it has been my way of, asking questions in the world and a way of thinking about the world. Being a Baptist woman answering the call to ordained Ministry was quite a journey.

Later in my journey, I found a theological home and a faith home in the American Baptist Churches and Alliance of Baptist Churches. I made a home church of the 1st Baptist Church in Jamaica Plain in Boston, where I've been a member since 2006.

■ Who have been your most significant mentors?

I want to always name my home congregation in Jamaica Plain. My pastor, Reverend Ashlee Wiest-Laid, has been a stalwart support and encouragement not only for me but for so many, folks who have felt called to ministries of many kinds. And many people who are, who are from marginalized backgrounds, who have had a really difficult time finding communities that would celebrate and affirm their gifts.

I always give thanks for Rev. Wiest-Laid's courageous leadership in so many ways. She is a mentor to me, and instrumental in my development on how to mentor others in creating communities that can celebrate where folks are in their own vocational and ministerial journeys.

Other intellectual mentors have been Drs Shelley Rambo, Walter Fluker, Bryan P. Stone, and Jennifer Wright Knust. They have encouraged me on my journey to be a professor and mentor who wants to inspire her students and always think about the types of work we can do in the world to really contribute to that flourishing.

■ How has your leadership experience in congregational and non-congregational contexts shaped your approach to education, your vocation, and your research?

Congregational work is so important. In so many ways, we are still just sorting out what we have learned from our experiences during the pandemic, and COVID-19 is still a reality in our lives. What does congregational life look like now? What does it mean in a world that is intrinsically and sort of hybrid? What does it mean for us to be still invested in building deep relationships with one another around our faith communities? I would say for me, one of the influences in my congregation has been a reclamation of the importance of physical space. So there are a lot of critical conversations that we're having right now around being prophetic stewards of space and buildings.

In our times, it also matters that we create virtual spaces that nourishes and nurtures that time when we aren't physically together. I think about the complicated and complex times and experiences that religious leaders are called into in new and expanding forms of ministries and community care.

■ How does your vision of leadership help you balance your different roles and responsibilities as an educator, researcher, minister, and community leader?

I am learning with everyone right now who is a human being in the world, how we find a balance

between all of the roles to which we are called, to which we find ourselves out of either desire or necessity. My research is informed by my call as a minister to be deeply informed by and attuned to people's real lived experiences in the world and how they are seeking and experiencing this sacred.

The type of research I am interested in is informed by what's happening with people as it is also informed by my own life experience. It's informed by the questions my communities and my students ask. There is not a part of me that I leave behind.

■ As the holder of the Rev. Dr. Lee Barker Professorship on Leadership Studies, what are some of your immediate and long term goals for thinking about of the future of Leadership in our times?

I have in these few short months been so impressed by just the depth of commitment religious leaders I am working with have to their communities and their congregations and to their call. Their call as leaders. Folks are coming from so many different backgrounds and so many other desires and hopes for their particular communities. How might they care

for themselves and others in these moments of deep and real competing urgencies in this contemporary moment we find ourselves in? What are the theological frameworks that we need to foster and build and even leave behind to help construct the type of world that we want to live in? What are the beliefs we need to hold? What are the practices that we need to continue and sustain? What are the practices we need to take a pause from?

As we think about what it means to be in leadership now, there is good theological work to be done and how we practice being in community. What are the beliefs and practices that can nourish and sustain our religious leadership work across diverse faith practices, fields, and community disciplines? This opens an exciting opportunity to continue to transform theological education.

Theological Education is changing like everything else. We face anew questions like: what does it mean to be a school? What does it mean to be a hub for innovation and a hub for recovery and reclamation of tradition in ways that are sustaining and nurturing? What does it mean to change? As we engage those questions, we aim to celebrate and enrich the



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different types of intelligences, ways of learning and modes of being that are critical for leaders. I have also come to love the deep commitment to place and to the power of reflection in one's own local context which is intrinsic to our learning community.

What last words could you share with present and future theological students?

Theological education should be about creativity, encouragement, and moving into the future with the best of what we have had and the best of what we think we can bring to the future together. I also hope theological students can come to this work with a deep sense of gratitude.

I encourage us to try our very best to stay curious about the world around us. When there are so many messages that would tell us that this tiny narrow right way of understanding something is the only way the truth can be true, is the only way the world can be seen, we would always pause when we get to that point. We need to remain curious about the issues ahead of us and the ways we could address deeply entrenched, systemic injustices. We should be curious about the ways we could meet our issues in our community and that we could meet one another.

As I believe it takes courage to be curious, cultivating courage is important. It takes courage to meet these moments that are ahead of us, that ask something of us that involves some risk. It takes courage to say what we believe. It takes courage to live what we believe. We should be mindful that being courageous looks differently for different people. For some of us, it involves speaking out more; for some of us, it involves stepping back, and it involves letting others take the lead in things that are closer to their own needs and hopes.

Finally, I will say that nurturing partnerships and flexibility are key to our moment. We need to build partnerships with one another, even if we don't know what they look like, even if we are afraid of making mistakes, and even if we're not sure what's going to happen, we will get to the future where we need to be. Above all, we need to remain flexible. There is just a lot happening all the time in this world. We move between our families. We move between communities. We move between disciplines. We move between buildings. We move between Zoom calls on our computers and our phones and our, you know, partners' phones, and we are constantly muting and unmuting ourselves, hoping we've muted ourselves. It just takes some flexibility with one another, and we will find our way together.

MILESTONES

Commencement Ceremony

Meadville Lombard's 178th Commencement Ceremony was held on May 21, 2023 at the First Unitarian Church of Chicago. Together, graduating students, faculty, staff, ministerial colleagues, mentors, friends and family rejoiced! It was a beautiful time of music, poetry, prayer, and honors. We proudly congratulate our class of 2023! The Honorary Degree recipients were Dr. Judith Weisenfeld (Doctor of Letters Honoris Causa), Lucia Santini (Doctor of Divinity), and Dr. Toni Bond (Doctor of Divinity).



DMin Program Launch

On June 15, 2023, Meadville Lombard received word that the Doctor of Ministry in Social Justice Leadership had received accreditation from the Association of Theological Schools. A new academic program, the DMin grows our long history of providing education and formation to seasoned religious professionals as they deepen their vocation and call to ministry.

Pandemics, protests, and cultural upheaval gave us the courage to ask hard questions. We wondered, "What if our work as Meadville Lombard Theological School was to accompany, agitate, equip, nurture, and root a generation of spiritual leaders as they respond to their deepest yearning for social change with concrete action?" Responding to our organizational vocation, over the next ten years we will:

- Equip 100 faith leaders for spiritually-grounded, interdependent, community-oriented justice and liberation work.

- Build a vibrant, mature, and multifaith network for liberation, right relationships, transformative justice, and care for the human and more-than-human world.
- Strengthen and fortify faith leaders through spaciousness to read, learn, think, and do, individually and collectively, attentive to a learner's ministry context.

Our Doctor of Ministry program is a promise kept to our clergy and lay leaders who longed for sustained leadership development and lifelong learning opportunities. Our learners, accompanied by our stellar faculty, are facing and transforming the difficult, multifaceted challenges that confront us locally and globally using our well-hewn theological tools of rigorous inquiry, disciplined spiritual practice, sparky imagination, and rock-solid integrity.

The world needs leaders who inspire acts of service through their compassion, analysis, and theologically grounded decision-making. The first cohort of seven faith-rooted leaders began their journey in Fall 2023. They are working on diverse issues ranging from prison abolition to transforming congregational hurt to addressing structural, intersectional bias in organizations. They, along with their colleagues in future cohorts, will shape a generation of spiritually-grounded activists, lay ministers, and ordained clergy serving congregation and community with both theory and practice for faithful social change.

IN MEMORIAM



Arnold and Julia Bradburd

Much has been written to memorialize Arnold and Julia Bradburd during their lifetimes and since their passing in 2023. Arnold “Brad” and Julia were generous and influential members of the UU community, and Brad had a long and successful career in business. He served on the UUA President’s Council, the UU Service Committee, and the UUA Board of Directors, receiving the UUA President’s Award in 1996.

Both Brad and Julia were strong supporters of MLTS. After he served on the MLTS Board of Trustees from 2002 through 2007, they generously endowed a full-tuition scholarship. The first student received the **Arnold and Julia Bradburd Endowed Scholarship for Excellence** in Fall ’08. In 2014 a second full tuition scholarship, the **Julia Bradburd Scholarship for Excellence**, was added.

Brad valued excellence, ethics, and responsibility in both his business life and his faith. When MLTS awarded him an Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree in 2000, he closed his address with these words: “Unitarian Universalists who occupy positions of responsibility in American business have a particular obligation to heighten the ethical awareness of business leaders and the community. They also have the opportunity to demonstrate by their actions that high ethical standards and sound business practices go hand in hand.”

There was a softer side to Arnold Bradburd. In the months following Julia’s health concerns in 2022, he would occasionally open up to MLTS staff. The pair will be remembered not only for their philanthropic contributions to MLTS and to Unitarian Universalism, but also for their devotion to each other.

Marjorie “Midge” Skwire



Meadville Lombard wishes to honor the altruistic life and beautiful spirit of Rev. Marjorie Skwire, ISP '79 DD '99, known to all as “Midge” (1936–2023). Rev. Skwire was ordained Minister of Religious Education to West Shore Unitarian Universalist Church in Rocky River, OH in 1980, which she occupied for 23 years. She was given an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from MLTS in 1999 and went on to serve on the Meadville Lombard board of trustees for 6 years, including as Chair. Meadville Lombard, and many countless individuals, thank her for her endless dedication to religious education, her leadership, her wisdom and guidance, and the love and care she spent a lifetime gifting to others.

“Midge was part of the generation of women who rose to leadership roles through religious education, both by choice and because it was the one avenue available at that time. She helped give religious education the status and visibility it merits. Her service on Meadville Lombard’s board was but one small example of her extraordinary leadership.” - Larry Ladd, LHD '13

OUR TRUSTEES: 2022/2023



Rev. Diana Davies, MDiv '17, serves as minister at the First Unitarian Church of Oklahoma City. Before seminary, she was the Vice Provost for International Initiatives at Princeton University.



Dr. Nancy Franklin is a Principal of Franklin Solutions and consults with leaders of higher education, government, and community on strategic initiatives, planning, innovation, and change agendas. She has over 20 years of experience in institution-scale university-community engagement.



Vanessa Gomez Brake (she/her/siya) is the Associate Dean of Religious Life at the University of Southern California. She is the first humanist chaplain to serve in this capacity at any American university.



Rev. Mr. Barb Greve is an ordained UU minister, a Credentialed Religious Educator, and a hospice chaplain. He served as Co-Moderator of the UUA with Elandria Williams from 2017–2020.



Dr. Michael Hogue is Professor of Theology, Ethics, and Philosophy of Religion at MLTS. He joined the faculty in 2005 and is the author of four books—most recently *Interreligious Resilience: Interreligious Leadership for a Pluralistic World*, which he co-authored with Dr. Dean Bell.



Angie Pierce Jennings is the student representative for the Board. She holds an M.A. in psychology and has experience as a college instructor, a songwriter and recording artist, portrait photographer, and group facilitator.



Carla Kindt is a retired development executive with 30 years of experience. She crafted a fundraising strategy for Northeastern University that resulted in gifts totaling \$16 million over six years.



Shari Loe is a retired attorney, mother of three and grandmother of two, a lifelong Unitarian Universalist who was an Army brat, raised in the faith across continents. Shari graduated from Yale with a degree in Poli Sci, and got her JD from New York University.



Ken E. Redd is Senior Director, Research and Policy Analysis at the National Association of College and University Business Officers (NACUBO). He directs the annual survey of college and university endowments and other studies on higher education finance issues.



Lucia Santini is a Managing Director of Boston Trust Walden and is the president of the Boston Trust & Walden Funds. Lucia and her husband Bruce (born UU) were married, raised their children, and continue to be active members of Murray Unitarian Universalist Church in Attleboro, MA.



Lynne C. Schaefer serves as interim President and CEO of the National Association of College and University Business Officers (NACUBO). She took this role following her retirement in June 2022 as VP for Finance and Administration at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC), where she had served since 2005.



Erty Seidohl, our newest trustee, is a software engineer. He has worked a variety of jobs in the tech field, including as an adjunct lecturer of computer science at Howard University.

Erty holds a BA in English and Math/Computer Science from Lawrence University in Appleton, WI. He attended the Summer 2013 batch of Recurse Center in NYC. He is one of the organizers of !!Con (bangbangcon.com), a radically inclusive tech conference held annually since 2013. He also has volunteered with various justice-focused technology education programs.

He lives in Grand Rapids, MI but has recently lived in NYC and Boulder, CO. He has been involved with UU since 2014, including as a member of the Boulder, CO congregation.



Rev. Connie Simon, MDiv '18, is the President of the Meadville Lombard Alum Association and the Alum Representative to the Board. She serves as interim minister at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Davis, CA. She describes her ministry as "helping people heal from the inside-out so they can do the outside-in work our world so desperately needs."

IMPACT OF SUPPORT



Madison Colquette
Bradburd Scholarship recipient

I recently completed my first unit of Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics and Sankofa CPE with educator, Rev. Karen Hutt.

I feel called to the ministry necessary in times of transition. Following my first unit of CPE, I hope to continue towards board certification as a chaplain. My Unitarian Universalist and humanist beliefs, and the UU's principle that we affirm "the inherent worth and dignity of every person," guides my care especially to care seekers whose beliefs differ from mine. As chaplains, we're companioning patients and their families as they make meaning of both the good things and the terrible things that happen, often in the midst of great suffering.

This year at Meadville, I've had the privilege to learn alongside dedicated peers; brilliant and supportive faculty including Dr. Nicole Kirk, Dr. Michael Hogue, and Rev. Dr. Eddie Journey; and be supported by Meadville's extraordinary staff and administration. Thank you for your continued support to our beloved Meadville community! I write to you in a spirit of deep gratitude and delight as I near the end of my second year at Meadville Lombard. Your continued support, and the generous gift of the Bradburd Endowed Scholarship, provides me the opportunity to continue my ministerial formation in financial stability.

I'm thrilled to call Meadville my educational home. Thank you for empowering students in the sacred work of social justice-oriented ministry. Your continued giving is a true treasure!



Birch Cue
Colchester Scholarship recipient

I have been a Unitarian Universalist for over 10 years, with theology and practice informed by Pagan traditions I have found as an adult, and the Roman Catholic tradition I was raised in. In Unitarian

Universalism, I have found a faith that can embrace all of who I am, and challenge and invite me to live more fully into my values.

In these last three semesters, I have continued my ministerial formation through practice-oriented coursework, including pastoral ministry, professional boundaries, and religious ethics. Outside of class, I have obtained Aspirant Status with the Ministerial Credentialing Office, joined the Unitarian Universalist Ministers Association, and connected with a formation mentor. I look forward to CPE this summer, and beginning an internship in the fall. The funding I have received through the Colchester Scholarship has greatly enabled me to focus on the practical dimensions of my formation. I have the deepest gratitude for your generosity.

FINANCIAL AID

In 2022/2023, we awarded **\$492,468** in grants and scholarships to our students.

89% of our degree-seeking students received some form of institutional financial aid.

2022/2023 FUNDRAISING STATISTICS

We received

\$893,237

Last year: **\$1,153,400**

from **234** donors, including **27** first-time donors.

Last year: **334** donors, including **50** first-time donors

\$544,057 (61%) Last year: **\$739,543**

from **18** non-individual donors Last year: **40**

\$349,180 (39%) Last year: **\$413,857**

from **216** individual donors Last year: **294**



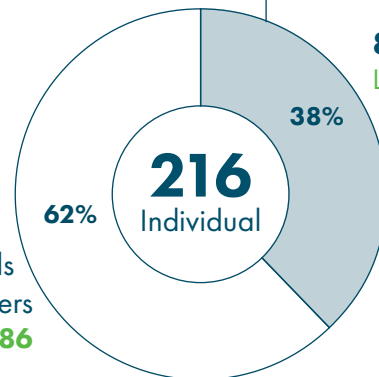
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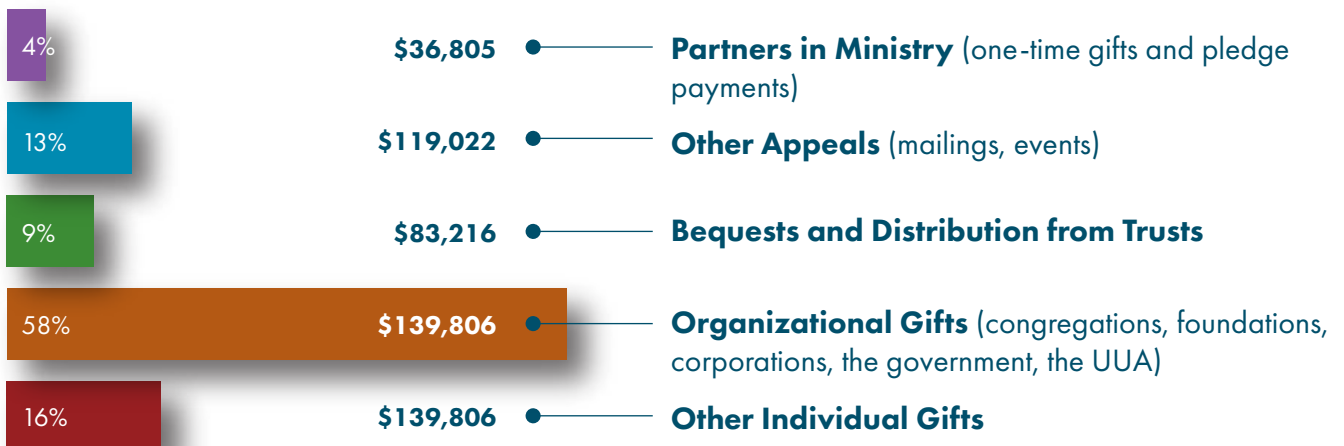
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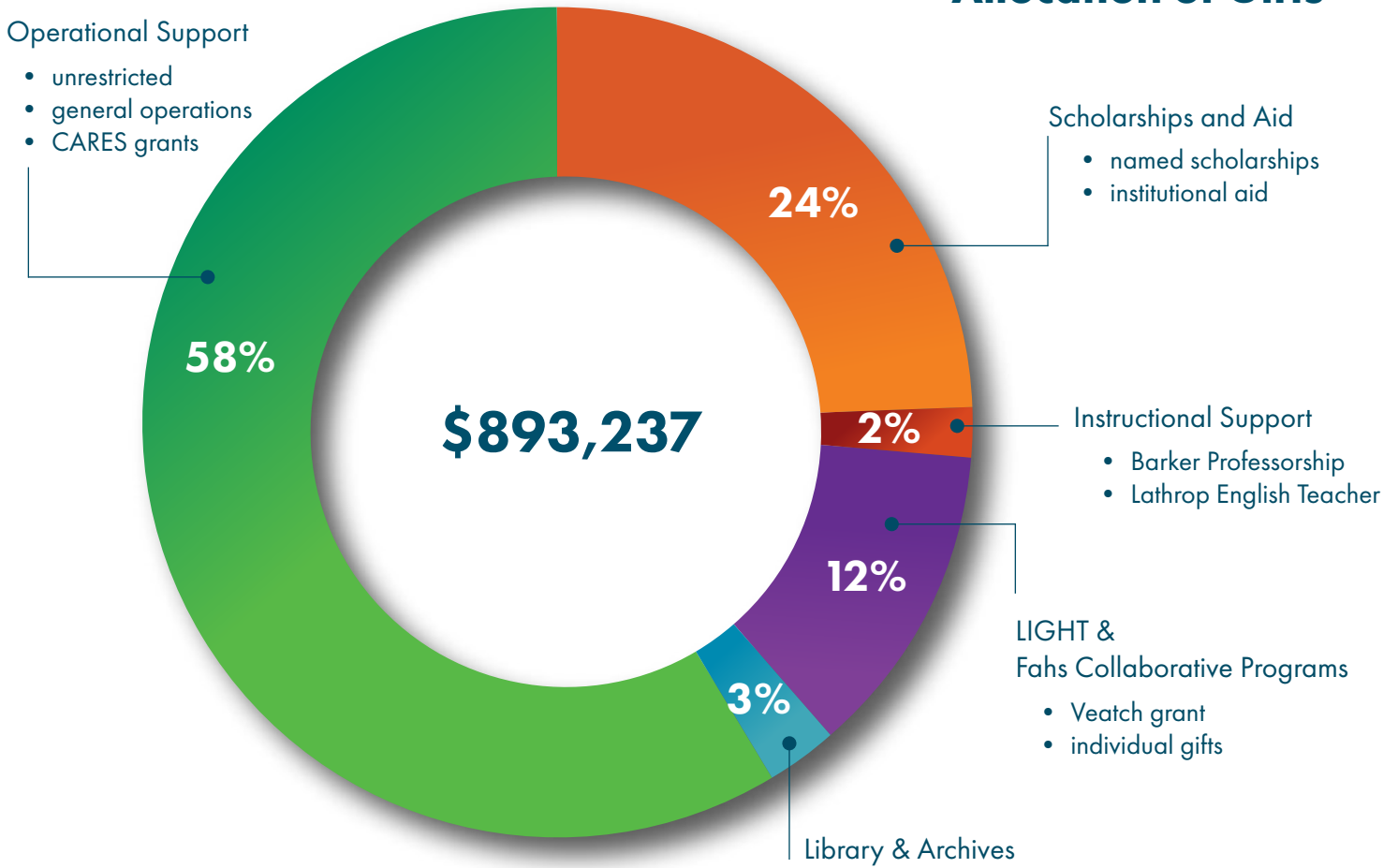
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Last year: **108**

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Last year: **186**

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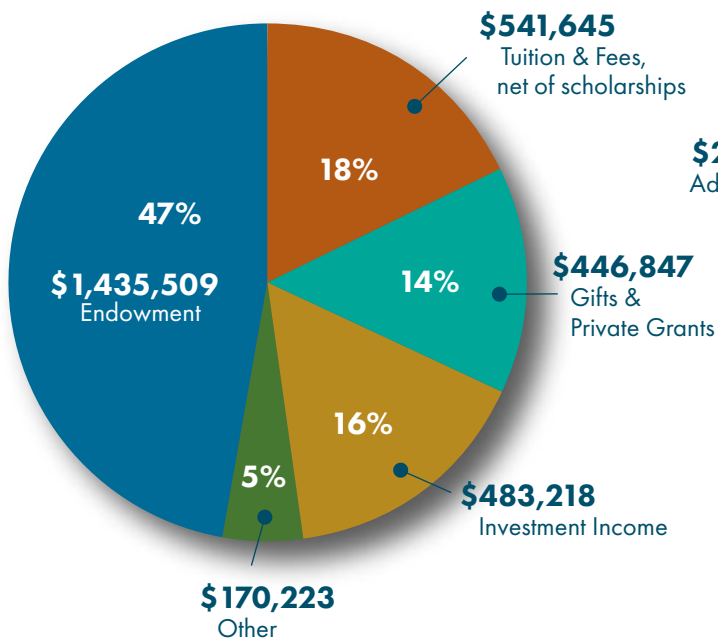


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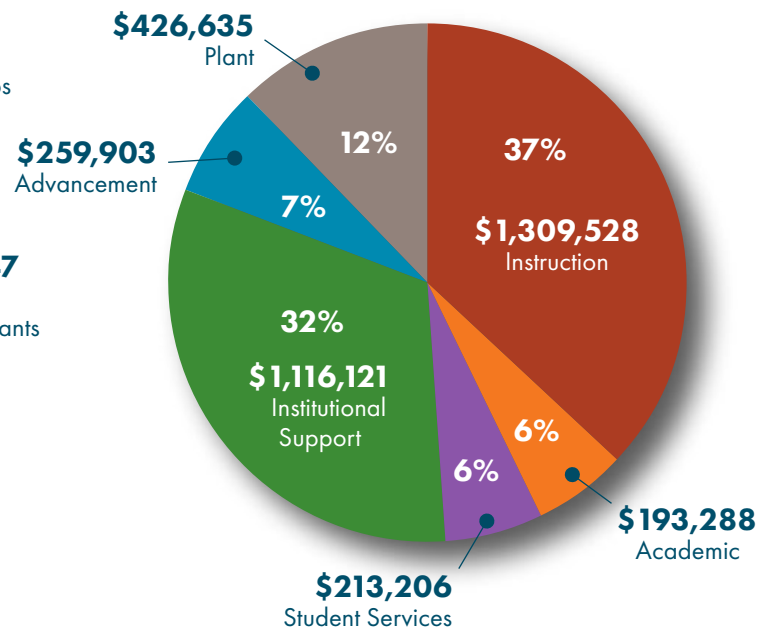


FINANCIAL REPORT (Audited)

Revenues: \$3,077,442

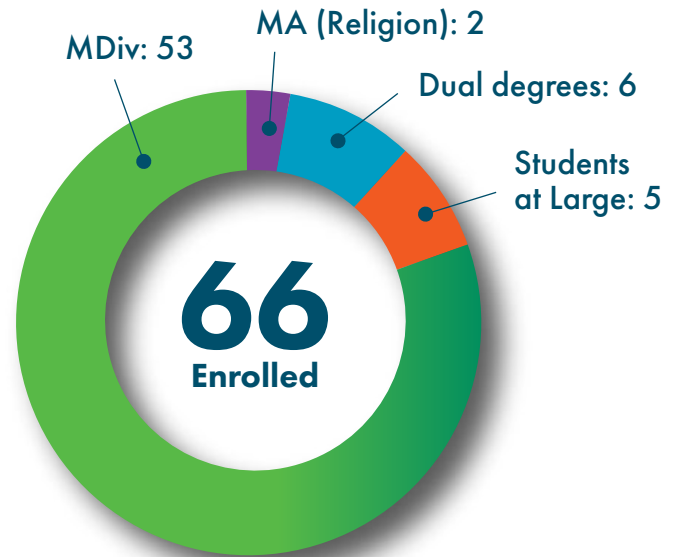


Expenses: \$3,518,681

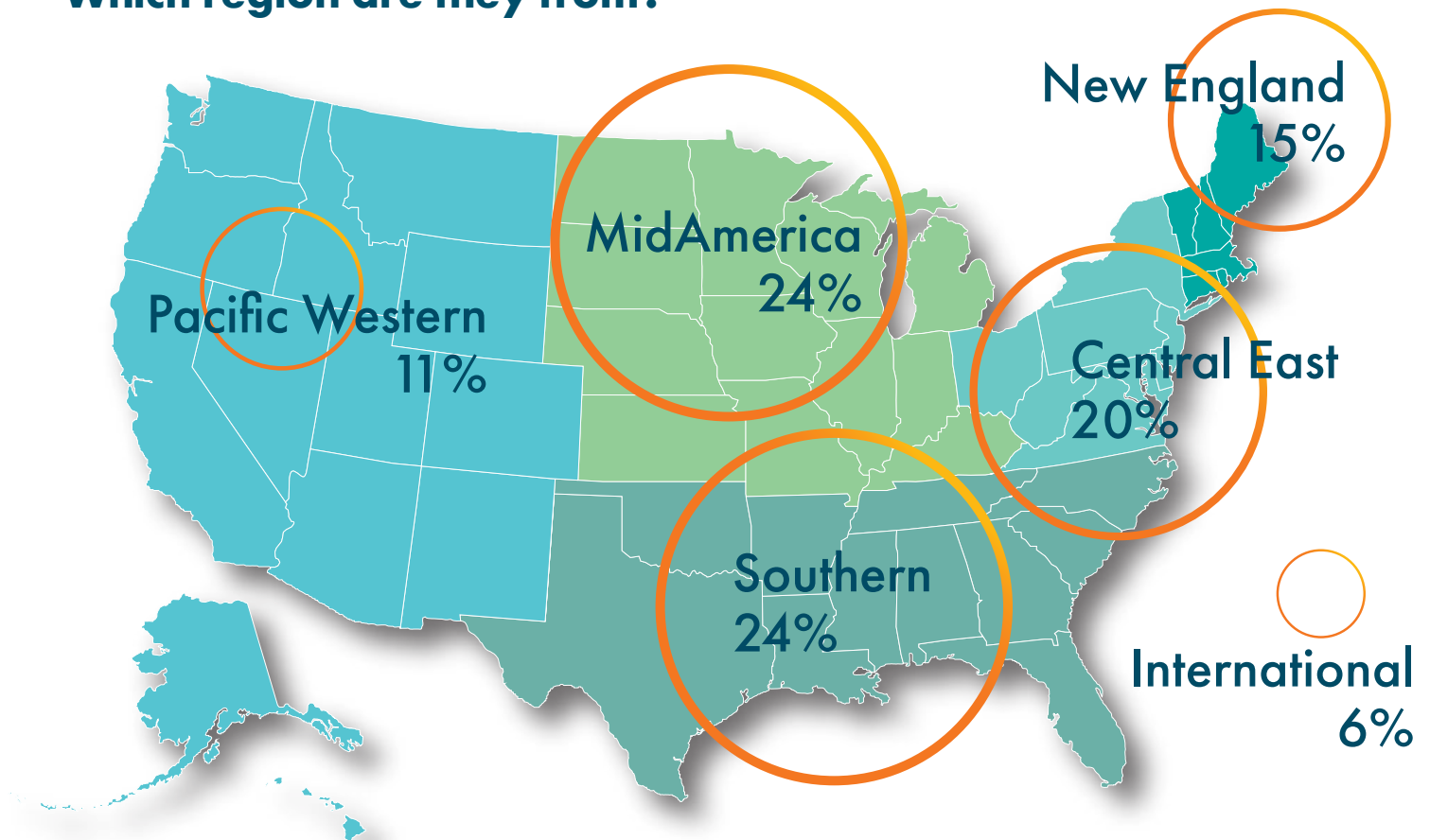


OUR STUDENTS: FALL 2022

Just as the ability to collaborate is essential to social impact and effective religious and spiritual leadership, collaborative learning is an essential element of a Meadville Lombard education. Our students come from a variety of vocational paths and educational environments, bringing a diversity of experience and wisdom. We ensure that our students learn as much from one another as they do from their coursework.



Which region are they from?



We are an Open and Affirming Institution. Our students express multiple gender identities. 70% identify themselves as female in the 2022/2023 academic year. 9% identify as non-binary, genderqueer, or genderfluid, and 18% identify as male. The age range of our students is from 27 to 70, with the average age being **46.**

OUR DONORS: THANK YOU!

WE ARE SO GRATEFUL for our Fiscal Year 2022/2023 donors who made gifts to Meadville Lombard between July 1, 2022 and June 30, 2023. Their generosity continues to sustain our work. Thank you for supporting the education and training of the progressive faith leaders our world needs.

The following list is based on gift amount received during the 2022/2023 Fiscal Year.

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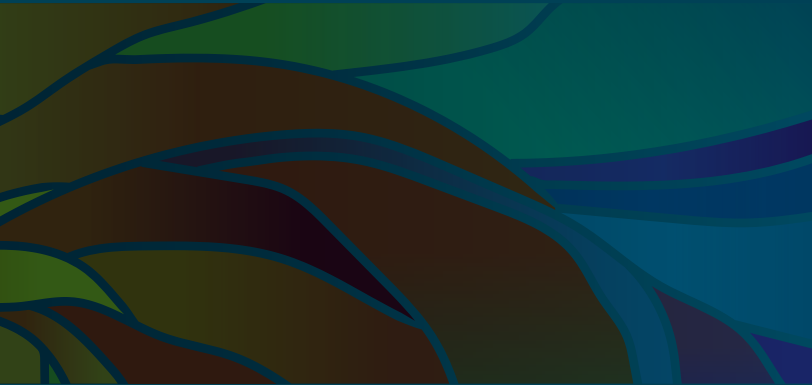
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"I would not be the minister I am without Meadville Lombard," she told us. For Jen, giving to MLTS is for those who come after. She gives in support of those who "do not have the privilege and abilities that I have." We thank Jen for her continued generosity, and for her gift of ministry to the world!

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