

and the services often last three hours. “This trip was an exciting opportunity for me to see how fellow Lutherans across the globe have grown up with the same faith in Jesus Christ that we have and how that faith gives birth to love for their neighbor,” offered Seminarian Joshua Schneider. “In such an impoverished nation, it was deeply humbling and also edifying to see how—like the widow who offered her mite—the Malagasy Lutherans give from their own to those who are even less fortunate than they are. They are filled with such joy and exuberance about their Lutheran faith that shows itself in their worship and song, in their compassion for others, and all their daily life.”

A video was produced while on this trip and each of the students who participated in this trip will be available for congregational presentations. If your congregation would be interested in having one of these men give a presentation, please contact Professor Pless at 260-452-2271.

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