



## Gustavus Adolphus welcomes Merrick Community Services

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From The Rev. John Hierlinger,  
Senior Pastor  
Gustavus Adolphus Lutheran Church

We extend a hearty welcome to Merrick Community Services as they prepare to join us on the GA campus. This partnership is yet another step on the road that the GA community has trod for almost 130 years on the East Side of Saint Paul... a commitment to the service of our neighbors and our community.

Gustavus Adolphus was founded in 1889 by Swedish immigrants making a new home in Saint Paul. Our ancestors faced many of the same challenges that face the vulnerable in our community today: economic insecurity, language barriers, and other roadblocks to equity. We hope and pray that our GA community can use this new relationship to further our mission as a Gateway of hope and faith on the East Side, and to strengthen our bonds with neighbors known and unknown.

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