

# Joanna **Comfort Dog** *Psalm* 73:26

## **A BRIDGE FOR** COMPASSIONATE **MINISTRY**

aunched in August 2008, the Lutheran Church Charities K-9 Comfort Dog Ministry is a national human-care ministry

embracing the unique, calming nature and skills of purebred Golden Retrievers. The LCC K-9 Comfort Dogs are a bridge for compassionate ministry, opening doors for conversation about



faith and creating opportunities to share the Mercy, Compassion, Presence and **Proclamation** of Jesus Christ.

LCC K-9 Comfort Dogs are working animals, trained to interact with people of all ages and circumstances who are suffering and in need. The dogs participate in scheduled and special events.



The LCC K-9 Comfort Dogs serve every day in the community in which they are placed and are dispatched in times of disaster and crisis to bring comfort to all those affected, including

**K-9** Ministry services are provided without cost to those served. Comfort Dogs were

first responders and the volunteers who serve them. LCC K-9 in New York and New

Jersey visiting victims of Superstorm Sandy, and in Connecticut after the tragedy at Sandy Hook Elementary School.

Christ Lincoln in Lincoln, Nebraska, is the home of LCC K-9 Comfort/Kare 9 Military Ministry Dog Joanna.

## COMPASSION FOR VETERANS

he LCC Kare 9 Military Ministry teams of veterans and dogs serve veterans, active military and their families in a variety of ways. Together we strive to bring the Mercy, Compassion, Presence and



**Proclamation** of Christ to those who have given so much.

The presence of a Kare 9 dog and handler serves as a bridge for compassionate ministry. Each Kare 9 dog is trained to obey specific commands, welcome affection and

Each Kare 9 handler is a veteran who shares the service and memories.

connect with strangers. Each Kare 9 handler is a veteran who shares the bond of duty, service and memories. Some of these memories can be bond of duty, difficult to bear. All of these elements combine to create a relaxed setting to encourage conversation.



# Kare 9 MILITARY MINISTRY

SERVING VETERANS, ACTIVE MILITARY, AND THEIR FAMILIES

#### SUPPORT FOR THIS MINISTRY IS THROUGH VOLUNTEER DONATIONS

Funds are used for: Veterinarian check-ups Grooming Dog food Travel expenses for deployments Annual review training

## HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT THIS MINISTRY

Note "K-9 Comfort Dog" on the memo line of your check and send to:

#### Christ Lincoln 4325 Sumner St. Lincoln, NE 68506

You can also call 402-483-7774, email Joanna@k9comfort.org, or visit www.christlincoln.org.



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