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ARE YOU
READY TO
BE A
SYNODICAL
DEACON?

What is the Synod Diaconate?

- A ministry of Word and Service
- A synod-wide list of deacons
- Serving local congregations complementing both the pastoral and lay ministries
- Synodical Deacons are inwardly compelled and outwardly affirmed for service in both the congregation and the world
- An essential connection between serving the Word and serving our neighbor

History

- Historically part of the threefold structure of the Church

bishops, presbyters, deacons

- Deacons minister to the baptized by

nurturing the life of Christ within them

grounding them and their ministries in the gospel and in the common sacramental life of the community

Preparation for Ministry

- High school diploma or equivalent
- Pastor's recommendation
- Bishop's approval
- Application
- Training
- Consecration

Accountability

- Serves the congregation at the discretion of the pastor
- Accountable to the pastor

Like to know more about being a Synodical Deacon?

Speak with your pastor.

Our mission is ‘to equip the saints for the work of ministry
for building up the body of Christ.’”

{Ephesians 4:12}

In response of faith
{Romans 4:3}
the service of the baptized
is rendered to the neighbor
in the form of love and loving deeds
{Ephesians 5:21}

FOR CHRIST’S SAKE



An ordered ministry
of the
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