|  |
| --- |
| Florida-Bahamas Synod: Synod Deacon Permanent Training/Qualifications Record Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Church:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  |
| Required Classes  | Date Started  | Initials  | Date Completed  | Initials  |
| Old Testament Survey Text: Holy Bible Instructor: New Testament Survey Text: Holy Bible Instructor: Lutheran Confessions (Part 1) Text: Book of Concord Instructor: Lutheran Confessions (Part 2)Text: Lutheranism/ Book of Concord Instructor: Worship FundamentalsText: Lutheran Book of Worship Instructor: Spiritual Formation SeminarText: Spirituality: Invitation to a Closer Relationship with GodInstructor: What Shall I Say? Discerning God’s Call To MinistryText: What Shall I SayInstructor: Other Required Items Attendance at a Deacon’s Table Talk Session Attendance at a Deacon’s Annual Retreat  |  |  |  |  |

Elective Classes

Date Started

Initials

Date Completed

Initials

Worship II
Text: Lutheran Book of Worship

Instructor

Teaching the Catechism

Text: Large Catechism

Instructor

Others courses as required by the Pastor

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Practicum & Pastoral Supervision  | Date Started  | Initials  | Date Completed  | Initials  |
| Liturgical: Assist in worship:o Occasional Services o Riteso Ceremonieso Prayer serviceso Service of the Word o Matinso Vesperso Compline Source document:Occasional Service Book & LBW Carry Pascal Candle in processionAssist in Liturgies and SacramentsRead the gospel lesson in worship Compose and say the bidding prayers of the congregation at worship services Prepare the table for Eucharist at worship Distribute Communion to sick and homebound o Train other lay assistants to distribute communion to the homebound Lead musicOther specific forms of ministry Preach – The Preachers Edge Making Good Preaching Better Source document: Occasional Service Book & LBW Pastoral: Visit the sick and homeboundVisit prospective new members of the congregationParticipate in new member orientation Teach catechism and other classes Lead study groupsLead prayer groupsCoordinate and train: o Usherso Greeterso Altar careo Liturgical participantso Respond in crisis situations providing physical and spiritual attendanceo Provide leadership at Congregational spiritual retreats Outreach and Service Ministry: Parameters determined by pastor:  |  |  |  |  |
| Ongoing Ministry: Meet with Pastor regularly for:o Ongoing studyo Attend to deacon’s spiritual growtho Meet with pastor for “mutual consolation and conversation”o Read and discuss: Diakonia Booklet The Servant: James HunterDeacon Guidelines Accountability: Submit regular reports \*Special Note- Pastors may require additional courses, curriculum or subject matter, which is not listed. The candidate comes under the direct supervision of the pastor and serves at the pastor’s discretion. \*Courses may be taken through SELECT or attendance at one of the educational centers or taught by Pastors.  |  |  |  |  |

Listing of Books

1. 1)  The Servant, John Hunter, ISBN 0761513698
2. 2)  The Book of Concord, ISBN 0800627407
3. 3)  Lutheranism, Eric W. Gritsch & Robert W. Jensen, ISBN 0800612469
4. 4)  What Shall I Say? Discerning God’s Call to Ministry, ISBN 0963663011
5. 5)  Spirituality: Invitation to a closer relationship with God, (Individual ISBN 60000109180), (Group ISBN

60000109199)

1. 6)  The Preachers Edge, Jerry Schmalenberger, ISBN 078800767X
2. 7)  Making Good Preaching Better, Alvin C. Rueter, ISBN 0814622151
3. 8)  Lutheran Book of Worship
4. 9)  Occasional Service Book
5. 10)  Various training books for lay assistants, liturgist, ushers, greeters, and visitors available through

Augsburg Fortress

1. 11)  Lectionary punctuation guide and writing prayers booklet

Suggested Readings

1. 1)  The Diaconate: A Full and Equal Order, James Monroe Barnett, Trinity Press International, ISBN 1563380935
2. 2)  Diakonia: Reinterpreting the ancient sources, John N. Collins, Oxford University Press, ISBN 0195060679
3. 3)  Deacons and the Church: Making Connection between the Old and the New, Morehouse Publishing, ISBN 0819219339
4. 4)  Christian in Society: Luther, the Bible and Social Ethics, William H. Lazareth, Fortress Press, ISBN 0800632923
5. 5)  The Hospital Handbook: A Practical Guide to Hospital Visitation, Reimer & Wagner, Morehouse Publishing, ISBN 0819214701
6. 6)  Critical Moment of Ministry: A change of Pastors, Loren B. Mead, Alban Institute, No AL94, ISBN 1566990173

07/06