

Application Process

Concordia Lay Deacon Program

Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod

Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honor the one who serves me. John 12: 26

The Concordia Lay Deacon Program (CLDP) is a group of people committed to service in and for the Church, a group which has its roots in the New Testament and has a history of development and usage in the Church catholic from its beginnings to the present. Concordia Lay Deacons are trained laity that work under the local Pastor in service to the local church through works of mercy and witness, thus supplementing the work of the local Pastor.

It is the goal of the SED to submit applications into the first session of the CLDP. Realizing that the application process may take a while to complete we have created a two-step application process. This will allow applicants to begin the first class.

Part I – Academic Participation - page two and three of this document

- This is an application to the Southeastern District to be considered for submission to the CLDP. This is an application for the academic participation – allows applicant to take the academic courses (First class is Christian Doctrine, beginning September 8.) Applicants will receive and have to complete **part II Application for Admission** and all its requirements to be considered for the CLDP.

Part II – Application for admission to the Concordia Lay Diaconal Program, leading to being a Certified Concordia Lay Deacon.

- Each applicant that completed Part I will receive a packet in October with instructions to apply for the Certified Concordia Lay Deacon Program. This packet will include information for the Supervising Pastor.
- Applicants will need a letter from their Supervising Pastor, congregational president, and two letters attesting to moral and spiritual character of applicant.
- Applications will require background checks, and endorsement by District President and District Certified Lay Deacon Program Coordinator

*Please note completion of the academic program does not automatically qualify an individual to be a Certified Concordia Lay Deacon.

May the Lord of the Church bless your study and your service in His name, and to His glory.

Sola Deo Gloria

Please either fax the completed form to 703-922-6047 or email it to LDcoordinator@se.lcms.org

Southeastern District, LCMS
District Lay Deacon Program

Lay Deaconal Program
Concordia College- New York
Application – Part I: Academic Participation

Personal Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone [Home]: _____ [Cell:] _____

Email address: _____

Birth Date/Place: _____ Social Security No.: _____

Marital Status: _____ Spouse's Name _____

Names and Ages of Children living at home:

Educational Background

High School Attended: _____

Location: _____ Year Graduated: _____

Undergraduate Studies:

College Name: _____ Location: _____

Years Attended _____ Degree: Y/N Field of Study: _____

College Name: _____ Location: _____

Years Attended _____ Degree: Y/N Field of Study: _____

Post-Graduate Studies:

College Name: _____ Location: _____

Years Attended _____ Degree: Y/N Field of Study: _____

College Name: _____ Location: _____

Years Attended _____ Degree: Y/N Field of Study: _____

Seminars/Workshops Completed

Title: _____ Sponsor: _____

Circle One: Professional/Personal Date: _____ Instructor: _____

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Circle One: Professional/Personal Date: _____ Instructor: _____

Congregational History/Experience

Baptismal Date: _____

Congregation: _____ Location _____

Confirmation Date: _____

Congregation: _____ Location _____

Present Membership

Congregation: _____ City: _____ State _____

Pastor: _____ Member since: _____

If recent transfer, previous congregation [include District/Synod]: _____

With what congregational organizations are you presently involved? _____

Do you hold any congregational office? _____

If so, which? _____

Please describe your congregational involvement during the last three years. _____

Signature of Applicant

Date

Pastor's acknowledgement

**Pastors Signature

Date

** This is an application to begin the classwork for the CLDP.) Signing this form does not imply anything other than Pastor's awareness of applicant participating in this theological education program. **Part II of the** application will be required to for admission to the Concordia Lay Deacon Program (CLDP. If participant applies for the CLD Program they will require a Pastoral Supervisor. Information for Pastor Supervisors will be provided in the packet for Part 2 of the application.

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