

Western Iowa Synod

DISCERNMENT DAYS



August 18 Discerning the Call to Service in the Church

Who should come

- those who are eager to serve
- those who ask deeper questions
- those who are already leading
- those who naturally care for others
- those who speak up for those who have no voice
- those who volunteer when a need arises

What to expect

- Hear call stories and share your own
- Visit with seminary representatives
- Talk to pastors who have supervised interns
- Become familiar with the Candidacy process and options for study/learning
- Enjoy the company of others discerning God's call to serve in the church

August 19 Congregations Discerning the Call to Future Leadership & Ministry

Who should come

- Congregations whose pastor may be retiring in the next five years
- Congregations with interim ministers
- Congregations who see a decline in income or attendance
- Congregations who are considering partnering or reconfiguring existing partnerships
- Congregations who have not yet raised up leaders and want to.

What to expect

- A chance to share current realities with Synod leaders
- Hear examples of approaches congregations are currently trying
- Learn about current ELCA approaches to preparing pastors, deacons and SAMs
- Discover resources currently available and inform the Synod of resources you would like to have

10 AM - 4 PM EACH DAY

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