

Lay Ministry Formation (LMF) Initial Intake

The Lay Ministry Formation (LMF) program of the Northwest Washington Synod offers a unique opportunity to discover and deepen your call to ministry. We are all part of the "priesthood of believers." Ministered to by Jesus, we are then called minister to all of God's creation. As such, this program will accompany you in your unique spiritual journey as you deepen your responsiveness to God's call.

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LMF REFLECTION ESSAY

The Lay Ministry Formation process is a two-year, cohort-based training program for lay leaders seeking to lead in the new missional era we find ourselves in, within their congregation or individual ministry context. The LFA essay here is an autobiographical reflection which should contain insights and understandings on what has led you to want to be a part of this process. It is not expected that your process of discernment is completed. You are asked only to provide an honest assessment of your current self-understanding of your journey thus far and your hope for the future. Being able to articulate this may be an important step in claiming the place Christ ministers to you and from which you may minister to others. Please return this intake to Pr. Andy Yee (a2b@lutheransnw.org).

Provide a brief autobiography that includes your early years, faith formation and current life situation (300-500 words).

Would you speak to where you might see God already at work within your life context/ministry and how might you want to join God there? Note: it is fine to say "I don't know" here but if you do have any insights or any dreamings around thisit would be our privilege to hear about it!
Describe the level of lay empowerment and leadership development in your congregation / ministry context? Share your dreams on how it might change in your context's next faithful step. <u>Note</u> : we will not share anything here without your permission.
Share how you might be hearing a call to grow deeper in ministry and explore in a tangible way? Examples might be: develop congregational leadership, CYF ministry, SALMs-preaching/teaching ministry, spiritual direction, etc