

# HOW IT WORKS

Participants gather for six 5-week classes either over Zoom or in person.

Each class is about 3 hours and involves a combination of instruction, discussion, and experiential learnings.

Homework assignments are based on the subject matter.

Begin with our **Foundation Year**. Then decide if you would like to stretch yourself through a **Practical Year**.

There is a one-time \$25.00 application fee.

Each course is \$70.00. Financial aid is available.

## Explore

See how you can “Grow in Your Faith” at [www.diakonia.education](http://www.diakonia.education)

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## FOUNDATION YEAR

Growth begins with small roots, and so do we!

Participants are invited to explore their **Faith Foundations** through the following courses:

- Christianity in a Lutheran Key
- Introduction to the New Testament
- Introduction to the Old Testament
- Lutheran Creeds & Confessions
- Living as a Christian in the World
- Worship Matters

## PRACTICAL YEAR

Time to stretch out and grow!

In this second year, participants deepen their faith and knowledge by in depth study.

### The Road to Service/Faith Development

- Healthy Congregation Dynamics
- Christian Caregiving
- Cultural Diversity/Anti-Bias Training
- Church History
- Christian Ethics
- Communicating the Gospel

Ready to register? Scan this QR Code and create your account now!



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# ABOUT US

**Growing in Faith** is a ministry program within the ELCA, and a Mission and Ministry Partner of the Grand Canyon Synod. We are committed to fostering learning environments for followers of Jesus to grow in faith.

We believe that lay members of our congregations are integral to healthy discipleship in our churches and communities.

So, we gather followers across congregations to grow in faith together.

Inside you will find an overview of our courses and how the program works.

Visit our website

[www.diakonia.education](http://www.diakonia.education)

"So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth." 1 Cor. 3:7

**GROWING IN FAITH**  
is a community of  
followers growing in  
Jesus through  
classes, retreats, and  
mutual care.

A two- year curriculum  
allows folks to move at  
their own pace to  
progress through  
foundational and  
practical learning.



Longing  
**To GROW?**

Plant yourself  
in good soil.