

# THRIVING

Leadership Formation



The **Thriving Leadership Formation** program brings pastors, deacons and other ELCA leaders together in person and online to cultivate skills and networks of trust, support, spiritual practice and accountability. The program offers leaders

- Brave spaces to learn, grow and experiment in their ministries
- Specific practical skills that deepen engagement with congregations and communities
- Meaningful relationships with wise colleagues to guide one another through leadership challenges, especially during transitions in life and ministry.

California Lutheran University received a nearly \$1 million, five-year grant from the Lilly Endowment to create the program in partnership with its own Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary and the 11 ELCA synods of Regions 1 and 2.

Participants will work in cohort groups that encourage and equip leaders to live out their faith in ways that make a difference in the world. Teaching modules focus on spiritual resources, leadership skills, competencies and tools for thriving in the practice of ministry.

Opportunities to walk with mentors, spiritual directors and coaches enable participants to attend to their own spiritual lives, to the guidance of the Spirit, and to voices, gifts and needs within their communities.

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