

Written Essay Requirements
Pastoral and Leadership Ministry Training Support
Lutheran Church of the Cross

Please submit a typewritten essay addressing each of the following five areas.
[Approximately 200 word minimum for each area]

1. A personal statement regarding your faith in Christ Jesus.
2. Your anticipated course of study and the reasons you selected your training institution.
3. A description of the ministry for which you have been called and intend to serve.
4. The ways in which your calling, proposed training, and anticipated ministry align with the stated mission and values of Lutheran Church of the Cross.
5. A description of the spiritual gifts God has granted you.

The Mission of the congregation of Lutheran Church of the Cross (LCC) is “to challenge all people to find a living relationship with God in Jesus Christ, and to actively support growth in their faith.”

The Values of LCC members are as follows:

- We believe that Jesus is Lord
- We Stand on the Word of God
- We Desire Genuine Worship
- We are Called By God
- We Are Free in Christ
- We Will "Go and Make Disciples"
- We Celebrate that God is Changing Lives

Please mail, fax, or email your completed essay to:

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Seminary applicants must submit an essay to complete their application packet by June 15 of the year preceding enrollment Church Based Theological Education (C-BTE) applicants must submit an essay to complete their application packet at least twelve weeks prior to their anticipated start date.