



LETTER OF CALL

TO A MINISTER OF WORD AND SERVICE OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

*In the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.*

**With prayers for the guidance of the Holy Spirit
to do God's will,**

**a congregation of the
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, meeting on**

extends to you this call to serve as

We call you to exercise among us the ministry of Word and Service as a deacon of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. As such, you shall serve in the mission our Lord has given this church to proclaim the Gospel. Through words and actions, you shall endeavor to witness to God's love for all people.

As a minister of Word and Service you are to exemplify the servant life and seek to equip and motivate others to live such a life. You are also to seek to empower, equip, and support all the baptized people of God in their daily lives of witness and service. Further, you are to carry out this ministry in accord with the standards and policies of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. In so doing, you shall be diligent in the study of Holy Scripture, in use of the means of grace, in prayer, in faithful service and in holy living.

Specific responsibilities, compensation, benefits, and conditions of this call are contained in a separate document. With this call, we pledge our prayers, love, esteem, and support for the sake of the ministry committed to you.

In testimony of this call, we have subscribed our names on behalf of the congregation on this
day of

President

Secretary

Attested by _____

Bishop of the

Date of bishop signing