



The diakonia Program

Register Now For 2023 – 2024 Courses!

Re-imagined

Growing in Faith: The Diakonia Program is a 40+ year old ministry within the ELCA committed to fostering learning environments for followers of Jesus to grow in faith. In the fall of 2022, the program was reimagined, taking the best of the existing program, adding new elements and more flexibility with a Foundation Year and optional subsequent Practical Year tracks.



Community of Disciples

There are currently three Growing in Faith communities in the Grand Canyon Synod with cohorts in Metro Phoenix, Tucson, and Online offering classes, retreats, and mutual care to equip followers of Jesus to live out their faith.



Faith Development

A two-year curriculum allows folks to progress through foundational and practical learning. The program accepts people where they are in their faith understanding and challenges them to grow to a deeper level.



Practical Ministry

Growing in Faith has touched the lives of hundreds of participants in the Grand Canyon Synod since classes were first offered in 2017 helping people to discern their callings in the world and to support them in following those callings.

Fall Courses

Six Foundation Year Courses

First Class 9/11/2023 - Mondays 6-9pm via WebEx online and in person Phoenix & Tucson locations
Recommended for first year students

Six Practical Year "Road to Service" Track Courses

First Class 9/5/2023 - Tuesdays 6-9pm via WebEx and in person Metro Phoenix
First Class 9/9/2023 - Saturdays 9am-Noon via WebEx and in person Tucson
Recommended for second year students

Register at GCS Growing in Faith Diakonia Program Website:

<https://www.diakonia.education>

Admission/Registration Fee \$25

Tuition \$70 Per Class

Tucson Information Session Monday August 28th 6pm Our Saviour's Lutheran Church Activity Bldg

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