

**RENEWAL OF LICENSES FOR LAY MINISTRIES**

July 2023 – July 2024  
(Title III, Canon 4)

Church and Community: \_\_\_\_\_

On **July 1**, the following lay licenses need to be renewed, or may be issued:

**Licenses as per Title III Canon 4**

Sec. 3 **PASTORAL LEADER**;      Sec. 4 **WORSHIP LEADER**;      Sec. 5 **PREACHER**;  
Sec. 6 **EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER**; Sec. 7 **EUCCHARISTIC VISITOR**; Sec. 9 **EVANGELIST**

**Please print legibly.**  
Please list below the name(s) and type of license(s) each person should receive. Use additional sheets if necessary.  
Please list by name, not by license.

Last Name	First Name	Type of license to be issued

**CERTIFICATE**

I certify that the above-named person(s) has (have) been trained in accordance with the canons and policies of the National Church and the Diocese of South Dakota.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(please print)    Clergy or Sr. Warden,

## **Canon 4: Of Licensed Ministries**

*Selection and license*

### **Sec. 1**

a. A confirmed communicant in good standing or, in extraordinary circumstances, subject to guidelines established by the Bishop, a communicant in good standing, may be licensed by the Ecclesiastical Authority to serve as Pastoral Leader, Worship Leader, Preacher, Eucharistic Minister, Eucharistic Visitor, Evangelist, or Catechist. Requirements and guidelines for the selection, training, continuing education, and deployment of such persons, and the duration of licenses shall be established by the Bishop in consultation with the Commission on Ministry.

### ***Pastoral Leader***

Sec. 3. A Pastoral Leader is a lay person authorized to exercise pastoral or administrative responsibility in a congregation under special circumstances, as defined by the Bishop.

### ***Worship Leader***

Sec. 4. A Worship Leader is a lay person who regularly leads public worship under the direction of the Member of the Clergy or other leader exercising oversight of the congregation or other community of faith.

### ***Preacher***

Sec. 5. A Preacher is a lay person authorized to preach. Persons so authorized shall only preach in congregations under the direction of the Member of the Clergy or other leader exercising oversight of the congregation or other community of faith.

### ***Eucharistic Minister***

Sec. 6. A Eucharistic Minister is a lay person authorized to administer the Consecrated Elements at a Celebration of Holy Eucharist. A Eucharistic Minister should normally act under the direction of a Deacon, if any, or otherwise, the Member of the Clergy or other leader exercising oversight of the congregation or other community of faith.

### ***Eucharistic Visitor***

Sec. 7. A Eucharistic Visitor is a lay person authorized to take the Consecrated Elements in a timely manner following a Celebration of Holy Eucharist to members of the congregation who, by reason of illness or infirmity, were unable to be present at the Celebration. A Eucharistic Visitor should normally act under the direction of a Deacon, if any, or otherwise, the Member of the Clergy or other leader exercising oversight of the congregation or other community of faith.

### ***Evangelist***

Sec. 9. An Evangelist is a lay person who presents the good news of Jesus Christ in such a way that people are led to receive Christ as Savior and follow Christ as Lord in the fellowship of the Church. An Evangelist assists with the community's ministry of evangelism in partnership with the Presbyter or other leader exercising oversight of the congregation, or as directed by the Bishop.

### ***Catechist in the Diocese of South Dakota, currently this requires a special class.***

Sec. 8. A Catechist is a lay person authorized to prepare persons for Baptism, Confirmation, Reception, and the Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows, and shall function under the direction of the Member of the Clergy or other leader exercising oversight of the congregation or other community of faith.