

Yes, I would like to participate in a Colleague Group!!

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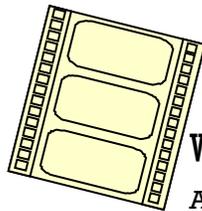
Church: _____

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1. What type of group are you interested in?

2. Would you consider being the facilitator of this group? (Yes / No)

3. Who do you think might be interested in this group?



VIDEO

A promotional video created by our synod and used throughout the ELCA is available through the synod office. Call 319/352-1414.

Want to be part of a group where you know you will be heard, affirmed and supported in life and in ministry, who pray and play together, then colleague group is for you.



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COLLEAGUE GROUPS

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A Ministry for People in Ministry

What are Colleague Groups?

Colleague Groups are small groups of people in ministry who meet regularly for personal and ministry support, encouragement, prayer and spiritual growth.

Colleague Groups are intentional and structured. They meet periodically as determined by the group.

Colleague Groups were developed as a way of encouraging collegiality in ministry and spiritual growth.

Colleague Groups are meant to be a safe place for “colleagues” to share personal and ministry related struggles, to give and receive support and prayer, and to grow spiritually.

Is there a CG for Me?

Colleague Groups are available for:

- Parish Pastors
- Interim Pastors
- Lay Professionals
- Youth Ministers
- Senior Pastors
- First Call Pastors

Colleague Groups have also been formed around certain topics such as:

- Spiritual Growth
- Evangelism, etc.
- General support
- Gender
- Health issues
- Staff pastors

How do I become involved in a CG?

- To begin a new group: Gather a group of “colleagues” together, agree on a facilitator, then contact a member of the Colleague Work Group.
- To join an existing group: Contact one of the Colleague Work Group members or the synod office.

In a colleague group, we celebrate the rhythm of life, joys and sorrows, laughter and tears, giving and receiving, with colleagues in ministry in a safe and trusting environment.

What will be expected of me if I become a CG Facilitator?

As a CG facilitator you will be responsible for:

- Arranging and communicating meeting times and places.
- Facilitating meetings.
- Attendance at an annual day-long facilitator training event.
- Reporting annually to the Work Group.

Colleague group is a place to share joys, concerns and issues of life and ministry in a trusting, caring and honest environment.

What kind of support will I receive as a CG Facilitator?

As a CG facilitator you will receive:

- A CG Leaders Guide
- Access to a consultant outside of the synod for confidential concerns.
- Support and training at an annual gathering of facilitators.
- \$300 once your group begins meeting and \$100 each year you continue as leader.