



## Ministerium Covenant

As the Ministerium of the Virginia Synod, ELCA,  
we are rooted in the Gospel, affirm and cherish our call to Word and  
Sacrament and to Word and Service, and honor one another.

As a community of rostered ministers we covenant with each other to:

- **Support** and care for one another
- **View** our ministry as part of the wider church
- **Care** for family and self in healthy ways
- **Engage** in professional development (such as continuing education, consultation, professional development)
- **Meet** often with other rostered ministers for prayer, scripture study, fellowship, and support
- **Lead** a life worthy of the Gospel of Christ and in so doing to be an example in faithful service and holy living
- **Review** and renew this covenant each year

Values:

- **Opened** to the Holy Spirit
- **Centered** in Christ Jesus
- **Grounded** in Scripture, the creeds, and the Lutheran Confessions
- **Valued** in our places of ministry and for our unique giftedness
- **Energized** proclaimers of the Gospel
- **Commissioned** to witness to Christ, reconcile people to God, and transform the world