

CANON FOR DISCIPLESHP

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ABOUT THE POSITION

In a season of profound challenge and transformation, our primary call is to renew our focus on the basic practices of the way of Jesus. The Canon for Discipleship is responsible for helping faith communities center this core work of making disciples of Jesus Christ. The Canon will do so by cultivating and stewarding a comprehensive formation approach for lay and ordained individuals of all ages. This will include developing a diocesan system of discipleship for adults, as well as overseeing several positions that work directly with specific demographic cohorts. This position will help us dream broadly about pathways to walk the way of Jesus today, discovering, developing, and implementing a variety of dynamic approaches across the diocese. This role is open to lay or ordained applicants.

FULL JOB DESCRIPTION



ABOUT THE DIOCESE

The Episcopal Church in Minnesota is one church in 95 places, bound together by our commitment to follow the Way of Jesus, joining God in God's project to heal the whole world with love. The diocese upholds four priorities for shared life and work:

- discipleship
- faithful innovation
- justice
- congregational vitality

Bishop Craig Loya became Minnesota's tenth bishop on June 6, 2020. There are around 15,000 members in the diocese. We are large and small congregations, situated, urban, rural, suburban, and small town settings, and regularly worship in six languages.

The Episcopal Church in Minnesota finds itself in an incredibly dynamic and transformational moment. The church is transforming, God is bringing about a new thing, and the work of the Bishop and Staff is to accompany, support, and help discern that transformation. The culture of the Diocese is healthy, and leaders and congregations are deeply engaged in the conversations and actions that lead to that transformation.



ABOUT THE NORTH STAR STATE

Minnesota sits at the intersection of three major continental ecosystems: the northern boreal forest, eastern deciduous forest, and western prairie. Living in the midst of such geographic diversity and natural beauty, Minnesotans enthusiastically embrace the many opportunities offered for outdoor recreation and enjoying the natural world (in all four seasons!). The people who call Minnesota home come from equally rich and diverse cultural backgrounds. Minnesota is the ancestral homelands of both the Daktoa and Anishinaabe (Ojibwe), and our first people continue to steward a vibrant culture today. Large Somali, Hmong, and Latine immigrant communities help give the Twin Cities in particular a vibrant cultural and culinary scene. Good and diverse schools, investment in the arts, along with our friendly and informal sensibilities make Minnesota a wonderful place to call home.



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QUOTES & QUESTIONS

WHY MINNESOTA?

- We actually have 4 seasons. You may know us mostly for winter, but spring, summer, and fall are incredible and beautiful.
- The landscape of Minnesota is second to none, from the rolling hills of the South to the beautiful forests of the North; our state is beautiful.
- Minnesotans like being outdoors! There are so many opportunities to enjoy the beautiful landscape, the lakes, and yes, even ways to enjoy the cold and snow!
- Minnesota is a hub of culture, from restaurants to the arts, and there is an incredibly diverse array of amazing cultures.



WHY ECMN?

“I’ve seen some real culture change here because our bishop is focused on Jesus, discipleship, has kept on message, and is really supportive of new Christian communities.”

“This is the healthiest, highest-performing team I have ever worked for, and it's awesome.”

“We all share information, communicate with each other, coming in behind each other.”

“We are a really effective team. I have worked on many in my life and spent time building them.

This team, as it stands, you can tell that people like each other and there is also deep respect that makes working together effective.”