



## Welcome to the Episcopal Church in Minnesota’s Group on Faith Lead Academy!

We’re excited to be offering the amazing resources of Faith Lead Academy to Minnesota Episcopalians through this dedicated group.

You can find some answers to frequently asked questions below. If these don’t answer your questions, please feel free to reach out to Kirsten Romero. She’s contracted with us to provide deeper support to ECMN-ers looking to access and utilize this site. She can be reached at: [kromero001@luthersem.edu](mailto:kromero001@luthersem.edu).

### Instructions and Frequently Asked Questions:

#### Registering for the first time:

Go to <https://lab.faithlead.org/ecmnonfla/> in your web browser (Chrome, Safari, Edge, FireFox)

Click the black “Sign Up Now” button:

**ECMN**  
Episcopal Church in Minnesota

**Welcome, Minnesota Episcopalians!**

If you'd like to gain access to this closed group, click the button below and fill out the form. If you don't have a Faith+Lead Academy account already, this will help you create one. If you already have an account with Faith+Lead Academy, this will get you access to this group!

You will receive more instructions and details in your intro email for how to use the site.

**sign up now**

**What Will You Experience Inside the Portal?**

- Deepen Faith
- Connect in Groups
- Innovate Faithfully
- Take Courses

Develop a Christ-centered identity, embodied in a life of discipleship and nourished through spiritual formation.

**Sign Up Now**

Name (required)

Fill out the Sign Up form: First and Last Name, Email (twice), Password (twice). For “Faith Community,” select from the drop-down whatever feels most appropriate.

# Sign Up Now

**Name** (Required)

<input type="text" value="Susan"/>	<input type="text" value="Anderson"/>
First	Last

**Email** (Required)

<input type="text" value="SAnder@gmail.com"/>	<input type="text" value="SAnder@gmail.com"/>
Enter Email	Confirm Email

**Password** (Required)

<input type="password" value="....."/>	<input type="password" value="....."/>
Enter Password	Confirm Password

**Faith Community** (Required)

A person of faith

Scroll down, and select “Register Now” (you can skip the checkboxes if you like)

**How do you want to deepen your faith today?**

Select all that apply.

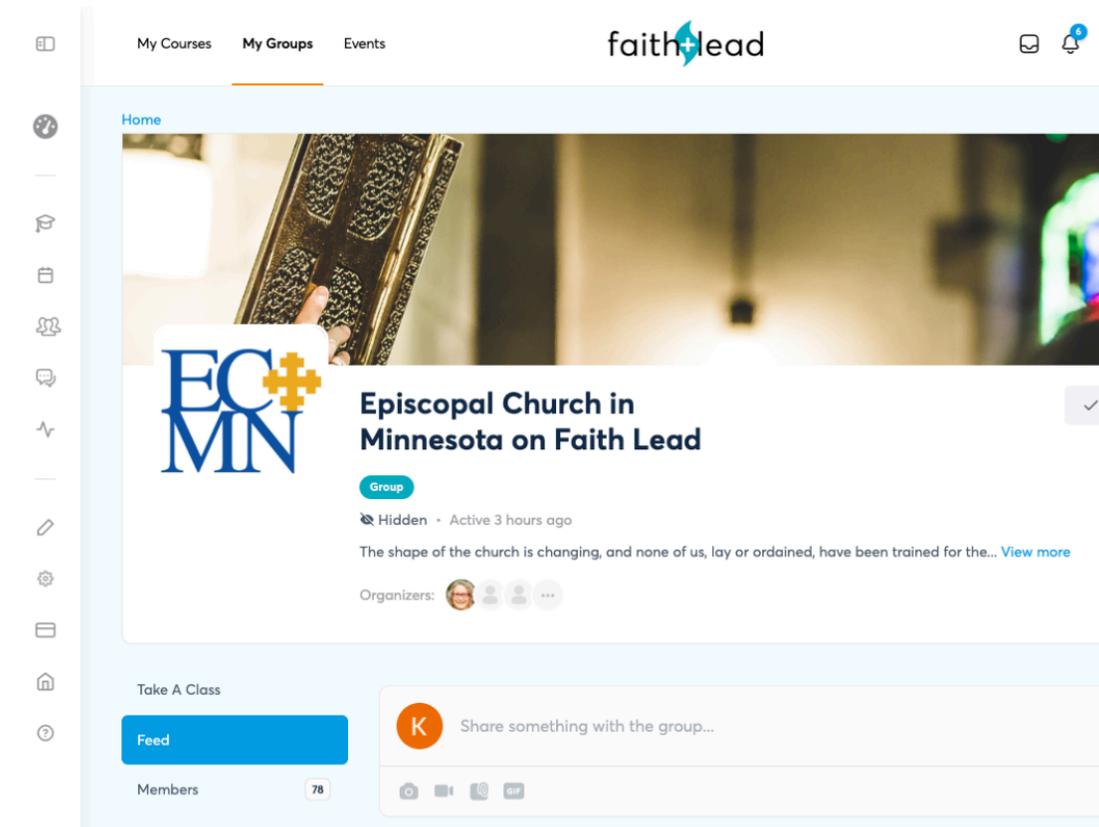
- On-demand online courses
- Connect to a cohort
- Browse spiritual reflections (articles, podcasts, and videos)
- Find spiritual practices and prayers

## Logging in after registering

Now that you’re registered, you can log on to faith lead academy you can:

- Log on to Faith Lead Academy: <https://faithlead.org/>
- On the left hand navigation bar, you’ll see a group icon (include picture). There you’ll be able to find the group titled ‘ECMN’

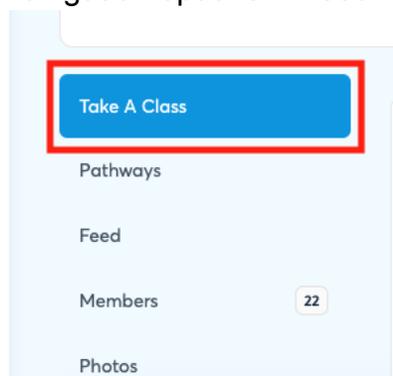
If you scroll down you’ll see a “feed” of conversation from fellow ECMN members of the site.



## Taking a Course

*\*\*The courses that you find in the Take a Class section of the group are free of charge. Other courses in Faith Lead may require a purchase.*

On the left side of the group page (on the blue part of the page) is a menu with some navigation options. "Feed" will be selected by default. Click on "Take A Class."



Here you will find several courses that have been curated for you by the ECMN. For this example we will use the course "Overflow: An Introduction to Growing in Faith."

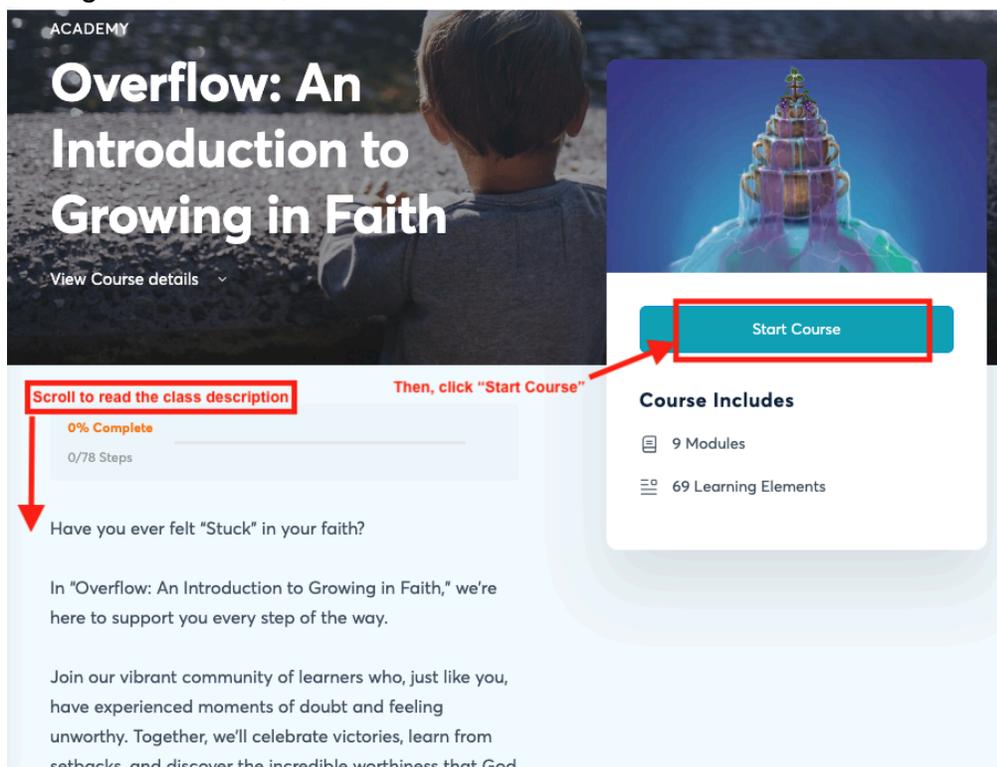
To begin the course, click on the link that says “Click here to navigate the course”:



The class will open in a new browser tab or window.

To read the class description, scroll down the page.

To begin the course, click the “Start Course” button.



### *Course Module navigation*

When you're in a course, the “modules” (which are like lessons within a course) will be listed on the left, and the course content will show up on the right 2/3 of the screen. The goal is to work through the content (the “learning elements”) of each module sequentially.

In the below image, the content of the first module (called “Welcome”) is shown. On the left-hand navigation, you can see that the first “learning element” is called “Meet Your

Instructor.” In the right-hand content pane, underneath the Welcome image of water overflowing some vessels, you also see “Meet Your Instructor.”

Course modules (or “lessons”)

The screenshot shows a course interface. On the left is a sidebar with a list of course modules, each with a hamburger menu icon, a title, and a circular progress indicator. The 'Welcome' module is expanded, showing five sub-items: 'Meet Your Instructor', 'How to Use the Handbook', 'How to Proceed through the Course', 'Course Outcomes', and 'Connect with Other Learners'. Below these are several other modules, each with a right-pointing arrow, a title, and a progress indicator. On the right is the main content area. At the top, it says 'Overflow: An Introduction to Growing in Faith > Welcome'. Below that is 'MODULE 1 OF 9' and a blue 'In Progress' button with left and right navigation arrows. The main heading is 'Welcome'. Below the heading is a large image of a globe with several golden vessels stacked on top, with water overflowing from the top vessel. Below the image is the 'Module Content' section, which shows '0% Complete' and '0/5 Steps'. Underneath, there is a list of learning elements, with 'Meet Your Instructor' being the first one, indicated by a hamburger menu icon and a circular progress indicator.

To move to the first learning element, “Meet Your Instructor,” you can either click on those words or you can click the Next arrow at the top right of the page:

This close-up shows the navigation controls. At the top, it says 'Overflow: An Introduction to Growing in Faith > Welcome'. Below that is 'MODULE 1 OF 9' and a blue 'In Progress' button. To the right of the 'In Progress' button are two grey navigation arrows: a left-pointing arrow and a right-pointing arrow. The right-pointing arrow is highlighted with a red box.

## Welcome

The first learning element of the first module introduces you to the instructor for this course. Read about the Rev. Dr. Steve Thomason, and then click the Next arrow again to move to the second learning element (“How to Use the Handbook”).

## How to find the group if you navigate away from it

Once you are logged into the Faith+Lead site, click on the **Groups** icon on the left hand navigation bar and then on **My Groups**. Then you can find the group named **Episcopal Church in Minnesota on Faith Lead**. The direct link to the group is:

<https://lab.faithlead.org/groups/ecmn/>

## Notification Preferences

You can edit what emails you receive in your Account settings. Click your name, then Account, and then Notification Settings. There are two tabs - Preferences and Subscriptions, where you can opt into or out of receiving notifications via email or on your web browser.