

# Life in the Holy Spirit - Ministry Reports

## College of Deacons

The DRM College of Deacons is made up of all Deacons in good standing who serve in the Diocese of the Rocky Mountains. The College of Deacons was formed as a body to help encourage, support, and to provide resources for Deacons.

The Board of the College of Deacons is made up of a group of Deacons who desire to help oversee the College. Currently the Board is made up of Dcn. Cindy Hamilton, Dcn. Paula Ladefoged, Dcn. Ben Moore, Dcn. Joel Siebersma, Dcn. Linda Villasenor, and Dcn. Dawson Vorderbruegge. Dcn. Sarah Anderson serves as the Chair of the Board and is the liaison to the DRM Credentialing Committee. At this time, I would like to acknowledge Linda Villasenor who is stepping down from the Board of the College of Deacons after three years of faithful service. Linda has contributed valuable insight during her tenure, and she will be missed.

In 2021, the full College of Deacons met via Zoom in February (Synod 2021), June, October, and in December. During the February gathering, several Deacons gave presentations detailing their ministries. Daniel Clark spoke about his chaplaincy work with law enforcement in Cheyenne, WY. Nancy McCue gave a talk about peer counseling and her work with the Center for Women's Ministry which is headquartered in Bloomington, IN. Ben Moore talked about his ministry as the Program Director for Saint Benedict Hall which provides a hybrid classical home school education in Kailua, Hawaii. Mark Summers shared several aspects of the administrative work he does at Holy Trinity Anglican in Colorado Springs, CO. Joel Siebersma explained the depth of personal ministry that he oversees as the Director of Health at Springs Rescue Center in Colorado Springs, CO. In June, Jeremiah Webster gave us an overview of the Canterbury House Project (<https://www.advent.church/the-canterbury-house>) which he developed as a part of his ministry at Advent Anglican in Woodinville, WA. Cindy Hamilton shared the plans for The Healing Journey 2021 that would take place in November at Wellspring Englewood in Englewood, CO. In October, Bishop Ken Ross joined the Deacon Zoom gathering. His talk was inspiring and encouraging as he addressed issues and concerns that Deacons expressed due to increased demands during the COVID pandemic. The final College of Deacons gathering in 2021 was a virtual Christmas party which included an interactive online activity designed by Dawson Vorderbruegge and a Christmas trivia quiz presented by Sarah Anderson.

During 2021, the Board of the College of Deacons met via Zoom for prayer and planning in January, March, May, July, September, and November. Some of the items discussed were agendas for each College of Deacons gathering, clergy cohorts, developing informational videos addressing various aspects of the diaconate, and providing additional online resources for those interested in the diaconal ministry.

**Respectfully submitted by The Rev. Dcn. Sarah Anderson**