ARE YOU WILLING TO SERVE?

We have a wonderful story to tell!
The ELCA is making Christ known in ways no individual member or single part of the church could do alone.
Mission Interpreters are storytellers.
Through the ELCA we...
- Support Christ’s Mission around the world
- Support new and redeveloping congregations
- Provide resources and support education
- Help the poor and powerless
- Support each other as partners in ministry
- And so much more!

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Qualifications:
- Be faith-filled, loving Christ and the Church
- Knowledgeable about the ELCA and its missions
- Have strong communication skills
- Be willing to attend at least one educational workshops to improve skills and knowledge

Mission Interpreters receive:
- Educational Events
- Resource Materials
- Coaching
- Inspiration
- Networking to share ideas and information
- Access to ELCA webinars

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What is Mission Interpretation?

Mission Interpretation is...

...Thanking individuals for their proclamation...
- Practicing their Faith
- Telling their Story
- Sharing God’s Story

...Thanking people for their generous giving...
- Time, Talents and Treasures
- Mission Support

...Thanking individuals and congregations for their faithful service
- Reaching out Locally
- Reaching out Globally
- Sharing the Story of the work we do within our walls
- Sharing the Story of the work we do beyond our walls

What does a Mission Interpreter do?

A Mission Interpreter...

...Tells the story of how the congregation’s offerings and gifts are transformed into effective ministry.

...Reminds everyone of how together, we make a difference for Christ’s mission and the work of the church.

...Thanks people for their faithful giving through:
- Temple talks
- Visiting with councils, committees and other church groups
- Providing resources as needed
- Giving guidance on doing God’s work at the congregational, synodical and churchwide levels
- Developing connections between ELCA membership and its leadership and mission.

How do Mission Interpreters Help

- They help people share their Own Stories
- They help congregations understand the work and ministry of the ELCA
- They help increase Mission Support
- They help individuals see how they are personally connected to the ministry and mission of the world, by looking beyond their own congregations
- They help congregations grow in local missions by hearing about others who have reached out in their communities to help others.