

Application for the Reception of Clergy in the Diocese of Mid-America, Reformed Episcopal Church

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Please print clearly. All statements on this application will be treated with confidentiality.

Answer all questions, using additional sheets of paper where necessary.

Date of application: _____

Application Fee: \$250 (covers background check, social media screening, criminal monitoring, and an administrative fee) (Make check payable to: Church of the Holy Communion, if paying by credit/debit card, please contact the diocesan office at the number above.)

Name _____

Address (home) _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Address (work) _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone: (cell) _____ (home/office) _____

Email: _____

Completed application should be forwarded to:

The Very Rev. Kasey Gage
Office of Examining Chaplains
Diocese of Mid-America REC
18170 Dallas Pkwy., Ste. 103
Dallas, TX 75287
frkasey@holychommuniondallas.org

Signature of applicant _____

Status sought:

Reception as Deacon _____ Reception as Presbyter _____ Reception as Bishop _____

Date of Birth (day/month/year) _____ Hometown (city and state) _____

Education

High School _____ Year graduated _____

College _____ Years attended _____ Year graduated _____

Degree(s) _____ Major _____ Minor _____

College Honors _____ Sports/Fraternity _____

Seminary _____ Years attended _____ Year graduated _____

Degree _____ Advanced Degrees (what degrees, where?) _____

Military Service

Branch _____ Discharge type _____ Date of discharge _____
Rank or Rating at Separation _____

Home

Marital status _____ Wife's name _____
Wife's education _____ Wife's vocation _____
Her avocation, interests, activities _____

Your marriage date _____
Have you ever been divorced? _____ Legally separated? _____
Children's names (put ages in parentheses) _____

Children's education and grade level _____

Children's interests and/or activities _____

Health

Height _____ Weight _____
Current health status _____
Date of last complete physical _____
Physician's name and office address _____

Have you ever been or are you now being treated for any of the following:

Hypertension _____	Treatment _____	Completed? _____
Heart disease _____	Treatment _____	Completed? _____
Sexually transmitted disease _____	Treatment _____	Completed? _____
Drug addiction _____	Treatment _____	Completed? _____
Alcoholism _____	Treatment _____	Completed? _____

Have you ever been diagnosed as suffering depression or a nervous disorder? _____

What was the diagnosis? _____

When was it made? _____ Doctor's name _____

What was the course of treatment? _____

Have you ever seriously entertained suicidal desires or intent? _____

Have you ever been counseled for spousal abuse? _____

Do you have any physical or mental disabilities that might serve to particularly challenge you in ordained ministry? _____

Special Interest

Are you a member of a service or social organization? (*Kiwanis, Rotary, Country Club*) _____

Are you politically active? _____ For whom? _____

Have you ever been arrested? _____ When? _____

What was the charge? _____ Convicted? _____ Jail time? _____

Are you active in your community? If yes, how? _____

Are you active on social media? If yes, provide the platform(s) and account information: _____

Business

In what professions did you labor before seeking ordained ministry? _____

Are you presently employed? Where? _____

Name & phone number of manager _____

Ecclesiastical (*please include dates, where possible.*)

Baptized? _____ Where? _____

Confirmed? _____ By whom? _____ Where? _____

Denomination _____

Have you ever been under church discipline, or excommunicated? Explain _____

Have you ever attempted to enter into Holy Orders through other Anglican jurisdictions or otherwise? _____

_____ If so, please explain _____

Professional

Ordained Deacon (date) _____ Ordained by whom _____

Ordained Presbyter (date) _____ Ordained by whom _____

On a separate sheet, please detail the process of preparation and examination for ordination.

Episcopal Consecration (date) _____ Consecrated by whom _____

In what jurisdiction _____

Current Parish: (include denomination)

Church Name _____

Address _____

_____ Phone _____

Your title or position _____

Date Installed _____

Previous Parish (include denomination)

Church Name _____

Address _____

_____ Phone _____

Your title or position _____

Lay leader positions held prior to your ordination _____

Reason for leaving? On good terms? _____

Date of incumbency _____

Previous Parish (include denomination)

Church Name _____

Address _____

_____ Phone _____

Your title or position _____

Lay leader positions held prior to your ordination _____

Reason for leaving? On good terms? _____

Date of incumbency _____

Doctrinal

Please answer all questions on a separate sheet of paper as completely as possible. Please type your answers.

1. Distinguish the orders of ministry. In the course of your discussions, note the number and functions of the orders.
2. What brought you to the Reformed Episcopal Church?
3. What is your position on liturgical worship? Which of the following Prayer Books best represent your ideas on liturgical worship (1662, 1785/6, 1928, 1933 REC, 1979, ASB, AAPB), and why?
4. Please articulate your views on the Lord's Supper.
5. Please articulate your position on the Sacrament of Baptism. Do you believe in infant baptism? Are your own children baptized?
6. What are your views on the inerrancy and infallibility of Holy Scripture? What is your position on verbal inspiration? What is the authority of the Church regarding the Scripture?
7. How do you understand the Creation account in Genesis chapters one and two?
8. How would you assess your familiarity with the Thirty-Nine Articles of Religion? Do you embrace the Articles of Religion? Are there areas of reservation or disagreement, and if so, where and why?
9. Summarize your position on the doctrine of the church. Compare and contrast episcopacy with other forms of church polity.
10. What are your views on clerical attire? Include a discussion of both the use of the clerical collar, and liturgical vestments. What is your present practice?
11. What is your position on the gifts of the Spirit?
12. Are you willing to conform yourself to the traditions and customs of the Reformed Episcopal Church so long as they are not contrary to Holy Scripture?