

Request for Licensing a Lay Reader

Missionary Diocese of the South and Ozarks
United Episcopal Church of North America

To be completed by one of the following:

- the Rector/Vicar of the congregation where the Lay Reader will serve; or,
- if there is no pastor, the Senior Warden of the congregation; or,
- in extraordinary cases, the bishop's designee.

Requestor

Name: _____

Role: Rector/Vicar Senior Warden Bishop's Designee

Congregation: _____

Lay Reader Candidate

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Candidate's Background

1. Date of birth: _____

2. Baptism date: _____ By _____

3. Confirmation or reception into membership in the United Episcopal Church
Date _____ By _____

4. Has he regularly attended your services for the past six months? Yes No

In extraordinary cases:

Where has he regularly attended services for at past six months?

5. Does he regularly financially support your congregation? Yes No

In extraordinary cases:

Does he regularly financially support the church? Yes No

6. To your knowledge, is he under church discipline, or does he engage in ungodly practice(s) that would bring reproach to the name of Christ? Yes No

7. Date of completion of the diocesan Lay Reader training program: _____

8. Has he previously been licensed as a Lay Reader in any church? Yes No

(This does not include serving in any role other than Lay Reader.)

Date _____ By _____

9. Are you requesting that he be licensed to preach sermons of his own composition?
 Yes No

Requestor's Acknowledgement

I hereby request that this candidate be licensed as a Lay Reader in the Missionary Diocese of the South and Ozarks. I acknowledge that a Lay Reader may not distribute Holy Communion under any circumstances. I acknowledge that a Lay Reader license must be renewed at least annually, and I will not permit a Lay Reader to serve in this role if his license has expired.

Signature

Date