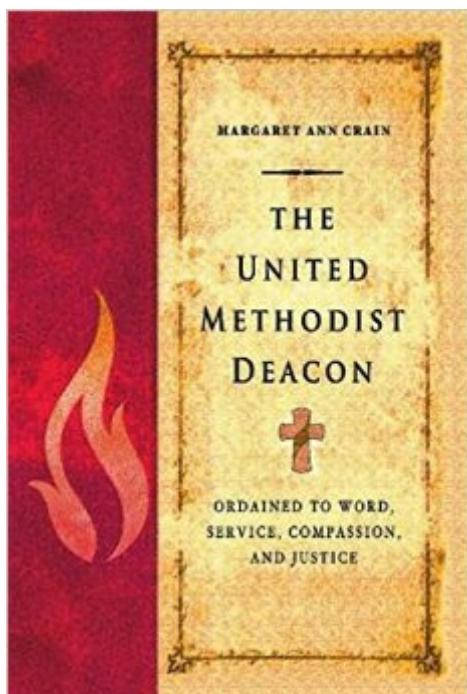


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# The United Methodist Deacon: Ordained To Word, Service, Compassion, And Justice



## Synopsis

The United Methodist order of deacon represents the ever-evolving understanding of ordained ministry. But because of the continual changes, there is confusion about the call, roll, identity, and tasks of deacons. With vivid examples, this book gives a clear understanding of the order of deacon, beginning with a discussion of how its unique call sets apart persons for ordained ministry. Contents include: A Deacon Is Called and Sent A Deacon Is Connectional A Deacon Is Missional A Deacon Is Examined and Equipped The Meaning of Ordination A Deacon Is Appointed Deacons Lead the Church Epilogue: A Snapshot of Deacons and Their Ministry

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An awesome, informative book!

Margaret Ann Crain has provided clear and well documented information in the continuing journey of clarifying the call and countless roles of the Diaconate.

Excellent book

As a candidate for ordination seeking deacons orders, I was thrilled to see that an updated book was published surrounding this very topic. The 2001 book that was penned, partly by Crain, was wonderful, but this book not only clarifies the role of a deacon, but takes it to a whole new level. This book will help readers and candidates for ordination better understand the role of the deacon, how

the deacon fits in the church and in the world, and why they're set apart from the role of an elder and a local pastor. The chart outlining these three roles was also helpful. One example for how the book is up-to-date is it includes information about the 2012 General Conference ruling for the addition of "compassion and justice" to what a deacon is called to. An all-around great book. Thank you for writing it.

This was very helpful as I continue to seek ways to articulate my call to deacon and how it differs from an elder's call.

M. Crain is very knowledgeable in the area of Deacons. I was looking for information about Deacons and she provided information that answered my questions

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