

**Application for Holy Orders – Priest
Form 5 – Application for Postulancy**

To: The Right Reverend Kirk Stevan Smith
Bishop of Arizona & Commission on Ministry
114 West Roosevelt
Phoenix, AZ 85003

Date: _____

Full Name [print] _____

EDUCATION HISTORY

High School/City/State _____ Graduation Date _____

College/City/State _____ Graduation Date _____

Major _____ Degree _____

Graduate Work _____ Degree _____ Dates _____

Area(s) of Specialization _____

Please attach a copy of transcripts for college and post-graduate studies with this form.

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Enclose a résumé or outline of employment history. Please give names, addresses, telephone numbers, and dates supporting the employment history, and attach to this form.

Have you made previous application for Holy Orders? ___ No ___ Yes – Please give details:

Were you ordained in another denomination? ___ No ___ Yes – Please give details including years of service:

NOTE on DEADLINES: If decision on Postulancy is desired before 1/31/09 then application paperwork must be received by 10/27/08. The last date application paperwork will accepted for 2008-2009 COM Cycle is 11/24/08.

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With this Form, please attach a brief written response to the following:

1. Please outline a brief history of your involvement with the Church (Please respond with 600 words or less.)
2. How does your family view your desire to enter into the ordained ministry? (Please respond with 600 words or less.)
3. Please briefly describe how you practice “care of self” in terms of your physical, mental, and spiritual health. (Please respond with 600 words or less.)
4. Have you ever had a situation in your life such as a loss or a traumatic event where you have sought the help of a mental health professional? If not, how did you deal with the event and what tools did you use to recover? (Please respond with 600 words or less.)
5. How does your affirmative response to the question in the Baptismal Covenant (p. 305, BCP), “*Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?*” shape your life and ministry? (Please respond with 750 words or less.)
6. What has been your experience of God? (Please respond with 750 words or less.)
7. What is your image of God? That is, what metaphors come to mind in how you think about God? (Please respond with 750 words or less.)
8. Fill out and submit the results of “PlanAhead Online.” Go to www.cpg.org/asplicants. This brings you to the page PlanAhead Online for those seeking or considering ordination. Click on “Login” on the bottom of the page and follow the guided instructions. This customized financial planning tool can help plan for the financial reality of a career in ordained ministry in the Episcopal Church.

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