Four Orders of Ministry: Video Follow-up Questions

Discussion Questions



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We've heard descriptions of the four orders of ministry in the Episcopal Church (lay persons, bishops, priests and deacons) as described in the Outline of the Faith in our prayer book -- and heard stories from a member of each of those orders about how they live out their vocation in the world.

- 1 Listening to the descriptions of the four orders of ministry, what connections do you see between them? What differences? Were there any surprises for you?
- 2 What story could you tell about someone you know who is living out their vocation in one of the four orders? How are they are making a difference in the lives of others?
- 3 How does hearing these stories impact your own sense of vocation? Do they affirm your sense of call to your own order of ministry? Do any of them challenge you to further discernment to explore a different order of ministry?