

The 45th Anniversary of the Ordination of Women Questionnaire Report

Full Participation of Women
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The following tables show responses to the final question on the questionnaires in support of the 35th and 45th anniversaries of the ordination of women in ELCA.

To what extent do you believe the full participation of women in the life of the church has been achieved?

Ordained Responses			
2005		2015	
On a scale of 1-7, where 1 equals “to a small extent” and 7 equals “to a large extent, the following shows responses of 5, 6 or 7.		On a scale of 1 – 5, where 1 equals “to a small extent” and 5 equals “to a large extent”, the following shows responses of 4 or 5.	
All (N=1563)	63.7%	All (N=1213)	62.6%
By Gender			
Female (N=968)	58.0%	Female (N=618)	56.4%
Male (N=595)	73.1%	Male (N=410)	68.9%
By Race/Ethnicity			
White (N=1382)	64.7%	White (N=997)	63.8%
Ethnic-Specific (N=181)	56.4%	Ethnic-Specific (N=216)	56.7%
By Race/Ethnicity and Gender			
White Females (N=901)	59.0%	White Females (N=525)	57.0%
Ethnic-Specific Females (N=67)	43.3%	Ethnic-Specific Females (N=91)	52.2%
White Males (N=481)	75.3%	White Males (N=472)	71.4%
Ethnic-Specific Males (N=114)	64.0%	Ethnic-Specific Males (N=124)	60.0%
By Age			
25 – 35 years old (N=148)	71.6%	25 – 35 years old (N=132)	55.3%
36 – 50 years old (N=577)	64.1%	36 – 50 years old (N=280)	60.7%
51 – 65 years old (N=794)	62.8%	51 – 65 years old (N=428)	63.4%
Over 65 years old (N=39)	43.6%	Over 65 years old (N=126)	69.8%

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Lay Roster Responses			
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All (N=463)	68.0%	All (N=401)	64.3%
By Gender			
Female (N=386)	68.4%	Female (N=325)	61.2%
Male (N=77)	66.2%	Male (N=76)	77.6%
By Age			
25 – 35 years old (N=26)	69.2%	25 – 35 years old (N=32)	53.1%
36 – 50 years old (N=134)	75.4%	36 – 50 years old (N=83)	71.1%
51 – 65 years old (N=262)	65.3%	51 – 65 years old (N=208)	61.1%
Over 65 years old (N=33)	57.6%	Over 65 years old (N=77)	70.1%