

Resources for Church Councils and Call Committees

The synod resource center provides congregations with many helpful books and media resources. Online at <http://www.feutor.org> and choose 'ELCA' Group you can also access sample job descriptions, information regarding background checks, information regarding visioning and many other items you might find helpful during times of transition.

If a congregation does not have a **Mutual Ministry** committee it is strongly recommended that one be established with the arrival of a new pastor. **Pastor and People: Making Mutual Ministry Work** is an excellent resource that is available at the Resource center or can be purchased directly from Augsburg Fortress. **SELECT** also offers a DVD resource called making Mutual Ministry work which can be ordered at: <http://www.selectlearning.org/>

Newly ordained Pastors are required to participate in "**First Call Theological Education**" during the first three years of congregational ministry. Full details about this can be found at: <http://www.elca.org/firstcall/>