



Parish Nurse Ministry Program

Foundations Course Information

March 5, 12, 19 (on-line) & April 9, 10, 11 2026
(in-person)

Since 1991, Concordia College has prepared nearly 1,800 nurses to serve in faith communities across the country. As faith community nurses (or parish nurses), these professionals are called and committed to the healing ministry of the church, helping meet the emotional, physical, and spiritual needs of the members. This ministry is grounded in the tradition of the church, "to preach the kingdom of God and to heal" (Luke 9:2). The faith community nurse program within a congregation also recognizes that the ministry of the church community is to proclaim God's desire that we strive toward an abundant, healthful life.

Course Location/Times: On-line program will be held via ZOOM. Participants must commit to attending all sessions with camera/audio abilities on computer system. Sessions will go from 3:00 pm to 8:30 pm. In-person program will be held at First Lutheran Church (619 Broadway N, Fargo, ND 58102). Daily sessions will begin at 7:30 am (Thursday/Friday until 7:00pm; Saturday concludes at 2:30 pm). Lodging is not available on site, but there are hotels nearby. More information will be provided by the program director.

Cost: \$450 and deadline to register and pay is February 5, 2026.

The cost includes participant workbook and practice standards (\$100 value), and a binder of program materials. The cost also includes refreshments and some meals for the in-person times.

A letter of reference from a colleague or a member of your clergy must also be submitted [via email](#) to the program director by February 5th.

Churches are encouraged to sponsor nurses and provide the program fee. A small scholarship may be available to those who are not sponsored by a faith community. Please contact Dr. Bokinskie for more information.

Continuing Education: This nursing continuing professional development activity is in the approval process through an accredited approver by ANCC to award 36.5 contact hours. This information will be updated in the spring.

Payment may be made by credit card during registration or by check. Participants must register online regardless of the payment method. Make checks payable to **Parish Nurse Ministry Program** and send to:

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Visit our website at [Parish Nurse Ministry | Concordia College](#) to register or contact Dr. Jean Bokinskie, Program Director at bokinski@cord.edu or 701.866.3063.

Face to face is wonderful! I highly recommend this class!

Loved how organized you all are! Loved the resources and materials!

I gained knowledge to feel more confident in setting up a faith community nursing ministry. Grateful for the friendships and networking for ongoing support. So inspirational, I am motivated to move forward in my new role. Thank you so much!

Who Should Attend:

Registered Nurses with a current unencumbered license to practice professional nursing in the state(s) in which one will practice in the role of faith community nurse (FCN).

You Must Possess:

A strong commitment to the holistic concept of health care, including the spiritual dimension of healing and health.

Good communication skills

Active involvement in a local faith community

A commitment to completion of the entire foundations program