

# deaconess *(dea-con-ess)*

## Definition

n. 1 in some Protestant denominations a woman consecrated or commissioned to serve in a church-related agency or hospital; 2 a woman deacon

## Example Sentence

The **deaconess** met us at the church door.

## Synonyms

woman deacon; woman who assists the clergy;  
female deacon

## Antonyms

atheist

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