

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

Presbyterian Mission

"To Inspire, Equip and Connect Presbyterians in Mission"



75
Mission
Co-workers

80 countries

255 Staff in Mission in the U.S.



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Three Primary Foci

Building Congregational Vitality

Dismantling Structural Racism

Eradicating Systemic Poverty





Intersectionality



Kimberly Crenshaw

"Intersectionality is a metaphor for understanding the ways that multiple forms of inequality or disadvantage sometimes compound themselves and create obstacles that often are not understood among conventional ways of thinking."





Three Intersecting Foci

Climate Change

Militarism

Gender Discrimination Hetero-patriarchy





We are on our way to Being a Matthew 25 Church

1,145 congregations (13%)
11 synods (85%)
82 presbyteries (49%)
63 other groups





Congregational Vitality

A community's spiritual strength and demonstrated capacity for engaging in purposeful mission—and making disciples of Jesus Christ.





Systemic Poverty

Exploitation of people through laws, policies, and practices that lead to the perpetuation of poverty.





Structural Racism

Normalization and Legitimization of

Dynamics and Systems—that producing

adverse outcomes for people of color.







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Climate Change

Long-term shifts in temperatures and weather patterns caused by natural and human activities such as burning fossil fuels like coal, oil and gas.





Militarism

A system of beliefs, political priorities and economic investments correlated with inordinate expenditures on weapons, undue influence by the defense establishment on setting national priorities, the suppression of human needs, and legitimate protests of evils committed against underserved communities.



Heteropatriarchy/ Gender Discrimination

A society dominated by white cisgender heterosexual males whose characteristic bias is unfavorable toward women, people of differing genders, and the LGBTQIA+ community.





Center for Repair of Historical Harm



Rev. Jermaine Ross-Allam, Director

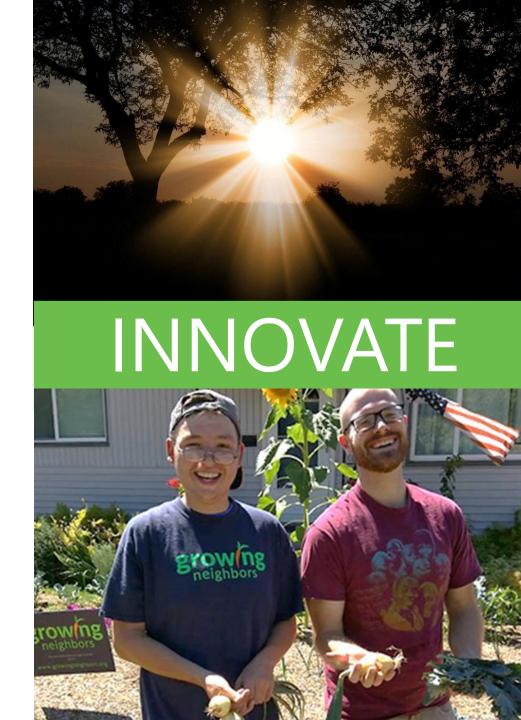




Office of Innovation



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What Some Presbyteries and Churches are doing





Why Matthew 25?

- Clarity
- Context
- Connection
- Compliment





Discussion





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Thank You!