

Vision Team

Purpose: The Vision Team's primary focus will be the implementation of the Presbytery's mission, as articulated in the presbytery's statement of mission.

Responsibilities:

- Engage in spiritual practices that deepen the work of the vision team and connect the life of the presbytery and its congregations to the Spirit of Christ.
- Coordinate the mission of the presbytery; establish priorities, set goals, create strategies, and implement plans, and authorize new teams, including expenditures of funds and identification of leadership needed.
- Until the establishment of a final structure, act as needed as the presbytery council and following the closing of the old corporations and renaming of the former newark corporation act as the trustees of the Presbytery of Northeast New Jersey
- Annually, establish a schedule of presbytery gatherings, including the frequency, duration, and purposes for which the presbytery will gather.
- Plan for the life of the presbytery as a community of learning and worship; recommend content and leadership for learning and worship components offered when the presbytery gathers in service to the presbytery's mission.
- Keep a finger on the pulse of the Synod and General Assembly, and communicate matters that require presbytery involvement and/or response.
- Give on-going attention to the changing context of the communities served by the presbytery and propose modifications to the presbytery's statement of mission, accordingly.

Membership

The Vision Team will meet monthly, convened and led by the Presbytery Leaders, in collaboration with the Moderator of the Presbytery.

The twelve members of the Vision Team are elected by the presbytery to serve a three year term, with the option of renewal for a successive terms. The team shall reflect the diversity of the presbytery in gender, race, ethnicity, age, geography and shall include teaching and ruling elders, and may include non-ordained members of congregations.

Spiritual Gifts, Passion and Qualifications

- Spiritual maturity, with personal depth, spiritual grounding, and resilience
- Cultural awareness - able to understand and navigate across cultural differences
- Creative, curious and imaginative; willing to take risks, experiment and innovate for the sake of moving the presbytery's mission forward

- Ability to think reflectively and work collaboratively to get things done through formal and informal channels
- Collaborative in style and approach; bridge builders
- Passionate about the gospel and eager to explore new ways to support its expression within and beyond congregations

Committed to God's work of reconciliation and healing among races and cultures.