Grace Presbyterian Church

2022-2024 Strategic Plan of Session

November 2021





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 - Develop a communication plan
 - Nurture our online congregation
- 1.2 Develop a comprehensive plan to nurture spiritual growth
 - Provide education to ground us in the reformed faith
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 - Heal false dichotomies ("congregational vs missional focus") and polarization
 - Learn how to graciously accept the views of others

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- 2.2 Working with the community, experiment with the new economy to serve those in need (e.g., food security programs)
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- 3 Nurture the evolving culture at Grace
- 3.1 Support and empower the ministerial team
- 3.2 Embrace changing Grace demographics
- 3.3 Adopt the language of
 - Transformation ("We are the Church")
 - Experimentation (instead of failure)
 - Discernment and recognizing the Spirit at work
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