

Discerning Participation in the Practicing Communities of Genesis II

What are the hallmarks of our work together in the church and in the neighborhood:

- Greater vulnerability in relationships
- A growing sense of mutuality in relationship
- Curious energy that leads to innovation
- Attention to emergence: How is the Spirit showing up and inviting?
- Willingness to "fail forward" for the sake of possibility and love
- A desire to nurture participatory/ shared leadership
- Exploring partnerships/ ministries with the neighborhood leadership

What does this partnership look like?

- The office of Church Planting and Redevelopment will accompany these churches free of charge for up to two years through coaching, teaching, mentoring, and resourcing. After one year we will have a conversation to discern what the church has accomplished and what it has discovered in order to assess alignment for continued involvement with Genesis II.
- Participating diocese will:
 - Help locate and invite five or more churches to participate for up to two years.
 - Provide a diocesan coordinator to nurture the process and accompany the churches in the hopes of continued support after two years.
 - Help communicate the work/ learnings of these churches to the diocese and the Episcopal church-at-large.
 - Meet quarterly with teams and Genesis II.
- Participating churches will:
 - Recruit a minimum of 5 member teams (or for larger churches 4% of ASA) who
 are willing to make a one year commitment offering up to 4 hours a week of their
 time to this project. Included in this time is two 90-minute zoom calls per month.
 - Recruit a team leader
 - Recruit a communication liaison