

Generous People Living God's Love by Practicing Dreaming Together

"The human mind plans the way, but the Lord directs the steps." Proverbs 16:9

For the past five years, I have been serving in interim ministry. An important part of this work involves helping the congregation to look to their mission for the future and to dream together about what God is calling them to. This work gives them hope about what is possible with God.

One way I would do this involved meeting with members in small groups where they would share with one another their hopes and dreams for the congregation. Hearing the vision that others have is exciting and often sparks other ideas and insights. When we take the time to listen and dream together amazing things will happen. God is present through all of this activity.

God has created us to dream and to imagine what the future can be. And God has created us to do this together – in community.

- Tell about a time when this group dreamed together and realized that dream. What made that possible?
- How did the group experience God's presence and guidance in realizing that dream?
- What dreams do you have for this group and congregation for the coming year?

Haiku Prayer:

You created us
To come together and dream
To join You in hope.