

## Marks of Mission (2): 19<sup>th</sup> Feb 2022



### Group A (week 3)

#### **TEND – loving service to those in need**

Congregations are encouraged to be **outward looking**, engaging with their communities and the wider ecumenical church.

Discuss and list:

- (a) *How your congregation is **already providing** “loving service to those in need” (in the community and wider world)*
- (b) *Any **new ideas** on how else this might be achieved in **new** or **different** ways in your community.*

### Group B (week 4)

#### **Transform** unjust structures of society, challenge violence of every kind and pursue peace and reconciliation

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Discuss and list:

- (c) *How your congregation is **already** “transforming unjust structures of society, challenging violence of every kind and pursuing peace and reconciliation” (in the community and wider world)*
- (d) *Any **new ideas** on how else this might be achieved in **new** or **different** ways in your community.*

### Group C (week 5)

#### **Treasure - to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth.**

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Discuss and list:

- (e) *How your congregation is **already** “safeguarding the integrity of creation and sustaining and renewing the life of the earth” (in the community and wider world)*
- (f) *Any **new ideas** on how else this might be achieved in **new** or **different** ways in your community.*

### 3: Questions from the General Assembly via Presbytery



1. Congregations are encouraged to be **outward looking**, engaging with their communities and the wider ecumenical church.

*Please record how you are already promoting successful and sustained local mission and ecumenical work, and offer **new ideas** on how this might be achieved in your parish.*

2. For the church to find its place in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century it may have to create **alternative worship and service opportunities** differentiated to meet the needs of niche groups.

*How might your church accommodate the needs of those whose sense of belonging is primarily through informal gatherings, social networks and the virtual world?*

3. As ministry teams and laity involvement grow,

*how might the deployment of volunteer and paid ministry be used **to enhance Mission and Service?***