

East Ohio Conference of The United Methodist Church

Mission, Vision, Strategy

Mission:

The mission of The United Methodist Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. Local churches and extension ministries of the Church provide the most significant arenas through which disciple-making occurs.

Vision:

The vision of the East Ohio Conference is to equip and support local churches to grow in their capacity to bear fruit that lasts:

- Being disciples, making disciples, and maturing disciples;
- Being God's agents of transformation in our communities and throughout the world;
- Being bold and courageous leaders in reaching new people, younger people, and more diverse people.

Values:

East Ohio Conference staff will best live into this vision by recognizing that:

- Discipleship is our foundation.
- Covenant guides us.
- Connection strengthens us.
- Leadership moves us forward.

Disciples:

- Become part of the body of Christ
- Grow in faith to be more like Jesus
- Join Jesus in loving and serving their neighbor
- Form accountable ministry partnerships within the United Methodist connection and across ecumenical circles

Transformation:

Transformation is a marked change in form, nature, or appearance. The evidence of transformation – or the outcome of transformation – is the difference that God has called you to make in the next chapter of your personal life and in the lives of others.

The fruit of discipleship is evident when we are:

- Creating New and Renewed Congregations
- Developing Principled Christian Leaders
- Engaging in Ministry with the Poor
- Improving Global Health
- Engaging In Advocacy And Justice / Addressing Systemic Issues: