

# COHORTS 2023

## NEXT CHURCH

### **Antiracism and the Intersection of our Ordination Vows**

Ruling Elders are the heartbeat of their congregation and the most effective change-makers within it. Guided by our ordination vows, come join a group of Ruling Elders from across the denomination who are committed to dismantling racism, deepening their leadership skills for the work, and curious about how they might affect change from within a congregation.

*Mondays @ 7:00-8:30pm EST*

### **Enneagram and Leadership**

The Enneagram is a personality type system that illustrates the interconnections between nine core archetypes. Each of us comes into life with a personality we use to make our way in the world. Sometimes it works well for us, and at other times we get in our own way. In conversation with the Enneagram, we can celebrate the gifts God has given us, identify our personality challenges, and put deeper self-understanding into action.

*Wednesdays @ 2:00-3:30pm EST*

### **Relational Leadership for Change**

What is the culture of your congregation? Do the dynamics of your church propel or hinder change? In this cohort, teams of clergy and church members will train together to strengthen the connective tissue in the Body of Christ through community organizing, systems theory, and adaptive/evaluative practices as we build a future of hope within and beyond our buildings.

*Wednesdays @ 6:30-8:00pm EST*

### **Where Do We Go From Here?**

This cohort is for pastors who have been in ministry for 5+ years and are discerning a shift in their role, setting, or focus – from changing the type or location of ministry, shifting the leadership approach within their current context, to considering retirement. Using the metaphor of a journey, this cohort will guide participants through a series of exercises and practices intended to expand the imagination of what is possible, and through one on one coaching create an actionable plan to live into what is next.

*Thursdays @ 1:00-2:30pm EST*

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