

## **Report of the Mission Coordinating Team (MCT)** **Nov. 15, 2025**

### **Strengthening Our Common Life**

The Mission Coordinating Team continues to shape the Presbytery's governance and resource structures to reflect shared leadership, adaptive learning, and transparent stewardship. Recent meetings have focused on completing updates to the Manual of Operations, reviewing the new Renaissance Fund, and exploring partnerships that nurture new ministry innovation.

### **Manual of Operations Updates**

The MCT completed its review of the remaining job descriptions and basic guidelines/descriptions, bringing these sections of the Manual up to date and have posted them with the packet documents for approval on the consent agenda.

- Job Descriptions Include: Committee on Representation (COR), Nominating Committee, and Permanent Judicial Commission (PJC), Commission on Preparation for Ministry (CPM), and Commission on Ministry (COM)
- Guidelines and Descriptions include: Meetings of the Presbytery, Electronic Meetings, Ecclesiastical Officers, and Corporate Officers

### **Renaissance Fund for Missional Resourcing**

The MCT has provided missional direction to the Finance Team as it finalizes the framework for the Renaissance Fund, which will combine legacy funds (Greystone, Wyoming, and others) into a single missional resource for congregations and ministry partners.

### **Cultivating Innovation**

The team welcomed Nick Warnes, Executive Director of Cyclical Inc., who shared about Cyclical's ecosystem approach to nurturing "faithful innovators."

Key insights included:

- Moving from "location, location, location" to "leadership, leadership, leadership."
- Supporting multiple small experiments in ministry rather than a single new church start.
- Emphasizing local discernment, grassroots leadership, and pneumatological imagination.

The group resonated with Cyclical's "garden" metaphor—seeing presbyteries as living ecosystems that thrive through pruning, composting, and biodiversity. The MCT will revisit the possibility of partnership at its December 2 meeting.

The MCT gives thanks for the collaborative spirit emerging across our teams and celebrates the Presbytery's movement toward dynamic, participatory governance grounded in mutual trust and missional imagination.

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