



Diocese of Southern Ohio

OUR MISSION

As the Episcopal Diocese of Southern Ohio, we embody the Gospel of Jesus Christ and share in God's transformation of our communities with the Holy Spirit as our guide.

OUR VALUES

As Episcopalians in Southern Ohio, we embrace these values as we live out our mission:

INTEGRITY

We are shaped by prayer and reflection, trusting the guidance of the Holy Spirit with mutual support and accountability. What we say, we mean, living honestly and faithfully.

RELATIONSHIP

We welcome and celebrate the diversity of the whole human experience, seeking to build inclusive community. We serve one another as partners in ministry and acknowledge when we fall short, seeking justice and reconciliation.

LOVE

We follow Jesus in the world, putting others before ourselves. We overcome fear with hope, estrangement with unity, guilt with forgiveness, and despair with joy, realizing God's beloved community.

2025 Diocesan Priorities

In the spring of 2024, our diocese began a discernment process focused on listening and dreaming for the future. With a goal of cultivating healthy systems and supporting innovative change for the future of the church, this process has resulted in the development of this vision for the future and the creation of a Mission Implementation Team.

Through conversations, discernment gatherings, surveys, and summits, the following list of priorities has risen to the top, and will receive intentional investment of time and resources throughout 2025.

COMMUNICATION

We build clear and transparent connections for sharing and listening to one another.

EQUIPPING DISCIPLES

We nurture lifelong faith.

EVANGELISM

We invite our neighbors to share in the Good News.

FLOURISHING CONGREGATIONS

We abundantly equip local ministry.

JUSTICE

We seek healing and reconciliation, becoming Beloved Community.

STEWARDSHIP

We share God's gifts generously.