

Affirming the St. Luke's Leadership Center

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Why Affirm the St. Luke's LC?

Beliefs:

- There is a ***need*** within churches for practical, relevant and applicable training in all aspects of church leadership
- St. Luke's has ***unique “gifts and graces”*** that can meet some of these training and development needs
- The convergence of our leadership transition, our building expansion, and the Bishop's call to establish “learning churches” point to ***a calling*** for us as a church

Key Questions

- Does the St. Luke's Leadership Center **fit** with St. Luke's current **vision and mission**?
- Is establishing a St. Luke's Leadership Center **relevant** for where we are today?
- Does the proposed vision for the St. Luke's Leadership Center enhance our **kingdom building** ability?
- Are we **capable** (ability/resources, willingness and commitment) **to do this well**?
- What are the **costs** associated with moving forward?

Inputs to St. Luke's Leadership Center Vision

Leadership Development

- The Office of the Bishop
- FLUMC Center for Clergy Excellence
- FLUMC Board of Lay Ministry

Theological Education

- Candler School of Theology
- School of Theology at Claremont, CA
- United Methodist Seminary in Moscow
- Justo Gonzales Center for Latino/Latina Studies

Peace & Reconciliation

- With Rev. Gary Mason
- Northern Ireland
 - Israel – Palestinian Holocaust Study Tour
 - Evangelical Methodist Church In Argentina
 - Cuba

Community Transformation

- Interfaith Interaction and Learning, Orlando
- East Winter Garden Transformation
- Circles Program
- Shepherd's Hope
- Educational IMPACT
- Habitat for Humanity
- Micro Lending – Economic Devlp.

St. Luke's LC Vision

A faith based learning center for clergy and laity providing leadership development opportunities in order to strengthen the ability to be effective in ministry to the local community and the world.

St. Luke's Leadership Center

Core Values

- Training should be **practical, relevant** and **applicable**
- Leadership skills can be **developed**
- **Building on** an organization's **strengths** enables greater organization effectiveness and efficiency
- **Best practice sharing** promotes continuous improvement and builds relationships
- Every congregation has "**gifts and graces**" that God wants to use
- Training and development needs to **accommodate a variety of learning styles and needs**
- Experiential and Classroom offerings are both key to effective learning

St. Luke's LC – 5 Elements

- Class instruction
- Forums
- Connection to key leadership events
- Stock and Custom Design
- Consulting Services

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- Workshops
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Next Steps?

- Affirm the St. Luke's Leadership Center concept presented here
- Develop the St. Luke's Leadership Center business plan
- Develop project timeline
- Identify and secure resources (funding, staffing, support partners, infra-structure, etc..)
- Develop curriculum components
- Develop marketing plan