Communities of Practice for Churches



Communities of Practice for Churches is an eight-week program that brings together a Pastor and Lay Leader from each of four churches for support and encouragement. The Communities of Practice model includes worship/centering moment; checkins; a case study, and discussion. Participants will have an opportunity to network with other churches, present their own situations for feedback and build community that will extend beyond the program.

Facilitator:	Rev. Dr. Diane Weible, Owner, Enkei Resolutions, is a trained Communities of Practice Facilitator with 30 years of ministerial experience. As a certified Professional Coach with the International Coaching Federation, she includes coaching questions to enrich the group experience for participants. This program was a collaboration with Rev. John Vertigan to bring churches together to find communities of support with one another.
Cost and details:	Sessions will be held once a month (date/time chosen by consensus of the group participants) for eight months. Each session will last 90 minutes. Cost is \$350 per church. Each cohort will consist of four churches.
Additional Information for Conference Ministers:	The program works best when Conference Ministers identify churches that would benefit from participating in the same cohort. If a Conference wants to offer a grant to churches to help with costs, Diane will work with you to determine payment and registration. If you are interested in this program, please reach out to Diane at <u>dweible16@outlook.com</u> .
Testimonial to this program's value:	"Our Congregations Community of Practice effort in Florida brought together pastors and lay leaders from several churches for relationship building, review of current challenges, and a shared time of envisioning and developing new programming that might bear fruit in the local context. The sharing of wisdom and experience in a wider gathering proved fruitful both for the successful new ideas that came forth and the learnings everyone gleaned by being in partnership with one another. Offering this time together with a skilled facilitator on hand was key to the implementation of this program." [Rev. John Vertigan]