# Synodality & Hope What Now What Next

Tuesday, April 1, 2025

12pm to 2pm
Eastern Daylight Time

Zoom Meeting ID: 874 9480 3769 Passcode: 736164



# Lenten Greetings!

Thankyou for registering for Tuesday's event: **Synodality & Hope: What Now? What Next?**Here is the schedule for the event. It might be helpful to print out a copy of this to help you follow along.
Please arrive on time: Noon Eastern Daylight Time. Zoom meeting ID: **874 9480 3769** Passcode: **736164** 

<u>Prayerful Preparation:</u> If possible, before the event, spend some time prayerfully reflecting on the scripture and questions located on the back of this page. You may want to take notes about your ponderings.

#### The Main Questions:

- 1. Ponder the hope-filled sacred moments you have experienced during the 3-year synod preparations and gatherings. Identify one of these moments that has played a significant role in your life.
- What does hope and a synodal Church look like for you currently? Identify 1 thing that could help move your daily journey of hope forward.

## Noon-12:15 Welcome & Introduction to Conversations in the Spirit (CiS)

- Welcome and Opening Prayer (by Patricia Clement, PVP co-founder)
- CiS Step 1: Reflect on the Main Questions (by Mark Hoggard, PVP team member)
  - What is your personal experience in this area? Reflect and write in silence.
  - Identify your own personal stories. Avoid second-hand information, social media, etc.

### 12:15 – 1:00 Small Group Conversations in the Spirit (led by volunteer facilitators)

- Quick introductions of small group participants
- CiS Step 2: Share & Listen Each person speaks for 2 min. All listen with open hearts.
- CiS Step 3: Silent Reflection, Listen to the Spirit (2 minutes of silence)
  - How has another's comments influenced my own? (reflect and write in silence)
  - Ponder: How is the Spirit nudging you to do more with hope and synodality in your personal life? In your ministry? In the Greater Church? Describe briefly.
- CiS Step 4: Share & Listen Each person speaks for an additional 2 min. All listen in silence.

#### 1:00 – 1:30 Large Group Plenary session (led by Jean Hawley)

CiS Step 5: A spokesperson from each group shares a summary. (3 min max)

# 1:30- 2:00 Announcements & Closing (led by Patricia Clement)

- Quick participant input through a zoom poll and chat features.
- Possible updates from USCCB and official synod delegates.
- · Closing announcements and Thanksgiving.

The large group gathering will be recorded. The small group facilitators will submit their summaries. After the event, an event summary, evaluation form, and links to free resources will be sent to all participants.





"Every day they devoted themselves to meeting together in the temple area and to breaking bread..."

- Acts 2:46

"We felt His presence in our midst as we lived Conversation in the Spirit and listened to one another"

-Synod Final Document, #1

 Ponder the hope-filled sacred moments you have experienced during the 3-year synod preparations and gatherings.
 Identify one of these moments that has played a significant role in your life.

"Were not our hearts burning within us while he spoke to us on the way?"

- Luke 24:32

"The local Churches are asked to continue their daily journey with a synodal methodology of consultation and discernment."

Synod Final Document, #6

2. What does hope and a synodal Church look like for you currently? Identify 1 thing that could help move your daily journey of hope forward.

"And hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us."

- Romans 5:5

"Dear brothers and sisters, what we have lived through is a gift we cannot keep to ourselves."

- Pope Francis, Final Synod Comments

3. How is the Spirit nudging you to do more with hope and synodality in your personal life? In your ministry? In the Greater Church? Describe briefly.