



Shaped by Faith Components

The goal of each of the 7 Shaped by Faith projects is to assist congregations (and clusters of congregations) to discern their optimal configuration for mission, or their “right shape.”

The following topics may be included in the Shaped by Faith project in which your congregation participates. Other topics may be added, as needed. “Homework” will be given between sessions to be completed in the parish.

Each Shaped by Faith project in Phase One will take place over 8 meetings scheduled every other month for a total of 16 months.

- Introduction - Reality Check, financial overview, diocesan vision, mission affirmation
- Congregational Values and Vitality
- Exploring the Neighborhood
- Parish/Neighborhood demographics
- Community meetings
- Finance structure and options
- Models for Church
- Constructing an ideal configuration; model design for ministry and mission
- Planning next steps

In addition to the 8 sessions of each Shaped by Faith project in Phase One, an additional 4 meetings will be scheduled over the course of the subsequent year in Phase Two to implement changes and continue support by the Shaped by Faith staff.