

Thank you for your prayers for last weekend's Leadership Board Retreat. We had a time of holy conversation and fellowship. We will share more information in the coming weeks, but we wanted to give you an overview of our work.

In addition to prayer and scripture, the Leadership Board looks through the lens of our **mission**, "to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world," and through Good Shepherd's vision to discern ministry opportunities and to image a church in the post-pandemic era. Additionally, our work with [Next Level Innovations \(NLI\)](#) also guides us. The Innovations report from our NLI Weekend in November 2021 gave us innovations to help Good Shepherd go from "good to great."

Our **vision** is:

We offer you a space to experience Christ through gathered worship (gather), to explore faith (grow), and to encourage the world by serving (go) so that your life is transformed by grace.

We have several **action items** that the Leadership Board, several Task Force groups, and staff will be working on in the coming weeks.

1. Continue to review and audit our ministries and clergy and staff job descriptions to come in alignment with our mission and vision ([NLI Goal 1](#)).
2. Develop a 3-5 year sustainability plan for Indian Church RVA ([NLI Goal 1](#)).
3. Bring the budget process in alignment with the vision and ministry goals ([NLI Goal 1](#)).

We also **celebrated**:

1. The renovation of restrooms in the Education Hallway and painting of the entry wall in Wistar Hall. Thank you to the leadership of Jim Mallon and the work of a dedicated team this summer! ([NLI Goal 4 - God's Space](#)).
2. The completion of the first review and audit of our current outreach and mission ministries by the Next Level Missions Task Force ([NLI Goal 2](#)).

Please contact **Anne Britt**, Leadership Board Chair, or **Pastor Bryson** if you have any questions.