

# Ministry of All the Baptized

## Facilitator Guide



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## Session 1: How are we called to ministry?

What comes to mind when I hear the word “ministry?” Who comes to mind when I hear the word “ministry?” There are NO wrong answers!

Based on the readings, how did the biblical writers think about ministry?

Use the space on the other side to compare/contrast these observations. Look for common words or ideas.



## Session 2: What gifts has God given us for ministry?

Based on the results of the *Spiritual Gifts Inventory*, what gifts were:

Confirmed?

Unexpected?

Share

What gifts do we have as a congregation?

Use the back for the following question: How may our individual gifts or strengths be applied toward doing God's work, not only in the church but in the wider world?



## Session 3: Where are we ministering today?

(Bring this to Session 4)

List the things you do that you recognize to be ministry:

Within the church

In the world outside the church

What makes an activity a ministry?

Which activities do you consider to be “non-ministries.” Why do some things seem like ministry and some not?

On the back, list, side by side, the lists of ministries and “non-ministries.” We’ll be using them next week.



## Session 4: What changes when you see your life as ministry?

How would your approach to “non-ministry” activities change if you were able to see them as ministry?

This sheet is for you to write the conclusions you have arrived at, regarding ministry in general and your own call to ministry, as a result of the last three weeks and today’s discussion.