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NYAC Cooperative Parishes  
Restoring and Resetting for the  
Journey...

**We Are the NYAC!**

**#BeUMC**

**The Cooperative Parish Model is a Process, not a Program**

**The Mission, Vision and Core Value**

**of the**

**New York Annual Conference**

**of the United Methodist Church**

# Alignment

## **Cooperative Parish BOD par. 206**

Annual Conferences shall implement a process of cooperative parish development through which cooperative parish ministries are initiated and developed in both urban, rural and town-and country situations.

- *Multiple Charge Parishes*
- *Larger Parishes*
- *Blended Ministry*

# Aligning Our Cooperative Parishes

- Cooperative Parish ministries are uniquely positioned to be relevant and to reclaim the transforming power of the Holy Spirit.
- Creative thinkers, laity, clergy and the community convene to explore what it means to be faithful, antiracist, relevant and transformational.
- Cooperative Parish ministry is an opportunity to do more than any one church can do on its own. This collaboration allows us to strengthen our connection.

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# MISSION

*We strive to share God's love by creating safe places where all are accepted and welcomed, connecting the needs of people to the presence of God, and transforming the world through Christ.*

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# VISION

*We seek strong leaders who develop vital congregations that eagerly make new disciples, actively nurture existing disciples, and passionately advocate for the needs and concerns of all people.*

## CORE VALUES

*The values that drive us are deep love for God and unconditional love for all people. We value collaboration and partnerships that demonstrate God's love to a world that divides and alienates. We value relationships that foster accountability, excellence, and an ability to engage in open, honest, and respectful conversations. We value hope that we have in Christ that, when discovered, brings us a unity of purpose, a joy that enlivens our spirit, and a peace that surpasses all understanding.*