



Greetings from the office of Equipping Vital Congregations!

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*"...but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not be faint."*

*Isaiah 40:31*

## **UMSee: Ministry on the Cutting-Edge Podcasts**

UM "SEE" *Ministry on the Cutting Edge* is a podcast of the Susquehanna Conference of the United Methodist Church. Each podcast features leaders from around our annual conference and the wider connection sharing innovative and inspiring ideas for ministry on the cutting edge. Ideas worth sharing! There are now five Episodes on Spotify, as well as the Susquehanna Conference website at [susumc.org](http://susumc.org), under the Resources tab and labeled as UMSEE Podcast ([susumc.org/umsee](http://susumc.org/umsee) or [susumc.org/podcast](http://susumc.org/podcast)).

Episode 1: Community Connections during a Viral Pandemic- Guests-Matt Lake, Kris Sledge and Deb Port

Episode 2: Sleep, Pray, Love-Guests-Gary Shockley, Kevin Witt, Kim Shockley and Cindy Weaver

Episode 3: Leading with Values-Guests-Daniel Wilt and Jan Hughes

Episode 4: Freed to Lead-Mobilizing New People for Leadership-Guests-Todd Christine, Melanie Feldner and Penny Rudy

Episode 5: Non-Anxious Leadership-Guests-Beth Jones, Jim VanZandt and Jack Shitama

## **Equipping Vital Congregations Face Book Page**

If you use Social Media, look up Equipping Vital Congregations on Face Book, and like our page! You will find many resources that may help equip your ministry. One of those resources is our new "TED-like" talks called EVC Snapshot.

## **The Gospel is Resilient: We Need That in 2020**

The gospel is resilient, we need that in 2020. Nowhere in Scripture is that seen more clearly than in 2 Corinthians. Beginning August 3<sup>rd</sup>; Resilient Church Academies is offering tracks to develop skills and strategies to move your church forward. Over three days of live, in-depth exposition, Professor N.T. Wright will unpack how Paul and this early church survived incredible difficulties and came out stronger. Then, participate in twelve in-depth tracks of relevant skills and strategies for church leaders navigating the constraints and opportunities of the new world live in. For more information and to enroll click on the following link: [Resilient Church Academy](#)

## **Save the Date!**

### **Equipping Vital Congregations hosting a Vision Day with Fresh Expressions US**

Save the date! Equipping Vital Congregations is hosting a Vision Day (Virtually) with Fresh Expressions US on August 28, 2020. More details and registration information will be coming through the QuikLink, newsletters and emails.