



## PLANNING FOR OUR FUTURE

### PROMISE GROUP UPDATES

#### APRIL 2019

**PROMISE: We promise to live radical hospitality in all relationships, especially with people made poor, through our commitment to contemplation, service, advocacy, dialogue, communication, and education.**

A sub group including Sr. Carla, Diane McDermott, Becky Searcy, Cindy Pfiffner, Sr. Julie Marsh and Sr. Marilyn will meet to study options available and to recommend a plan to offer a workshop for sisters and associates on racism. This will be done in collaboration with the Justice Promoters.

**PROMISE: We promise to practice non-violence of mind and heart, speech and action as we address injustice directly and systematically.**

Our Nonviolence Promise Group met on Friday, April 3rd at 10:00 a.m. We discussed the possibility of rescheduling the Courageous Conversations training workshop for Spring 2021. During Community Days, we would like two hours to meet with our Promise Group members. We would like one and a half hours with the total community. During that time we hope to come up with a practical way of engaging everyone in an activity which would advance nonviolent dialogue. We will come to our next meeting with suggestions as to how we will accomplish this. Our next meeting will be held on May 15th at 11:00 a.m.

**PROMISE: We promise to form partnerships and utilize resources for the purpose of mission.**

Our Promise Group planned for a face-to-face meeting for March 21 at Mount Loretto. Because of the outbreak of the coronavirus, we cancelled our face-to-face meeting and now are making plans to develop benchmarks for measuring and implementing our Guiding Principles at our April meeting.

## **PROMISE: We promise to implement governance practices that foster dialogue and communication in decision-making.**

The Governance and Communication Promise Group met on March 24, 2020. We're exploring practices pertinent to our lives as sisters and associates with a particular focus on Chapter. Next month we'll discuss Paul Lederach's article, *Developing the Capacity to Birth Something New* (Occasional Papers, 2020 Winter). As we consider the present reality of religious life, we are encouraged and invited to ignite the power of imagination!