



## “Rounding” Questions 2019

### Purpose of Rounding Visits:

1. To help establish and foster trust between congregation and presbytery connections.
2. To help each congregation see more clearly who they are as a faith community in their contexts and community.
3. To learn more about each congregation.
4. To encourage, affirm, support, and challenge each congregation as they live more fully into God’s call.

### Questions for pastors and sessions to consider:

1. What are **sources of energy and hope** for you as a congregation? What brings life and light to your ministry?  
What changes have you seen in those sources of energy and hope in the past several years?
2. What are some of **your concerns and anxieties**, and even fears?  
What changes have you seen in these over the past several years?
3. Tell us about your experience with the **Spark grant** last year? What kinds of conversations emerged from the grant? Any decisions and actions? How would you assess the effectiveness? What might you do differently next time, if anything?
4. Where can your presbytery be of **support** to you?
  - a. Resources for living into financial health
    - i. Congregational
    - ii. Personal (because it impacts congregation!)
  - b. Resources for spiritual health and growth
    - i. Worship
    - ii. Bible and other study
    - iii. Prayer
  - c. Mission opportunities and partnerships
    - i. Community/Regional
    - ii. National
    - iii. International
  - d. Facilitating honest conversations about tough issues
    - i. Racism
    - ii. Sexuality
    - iii. Poverty
  - e. Welcoming people who are different
    - i. In what ways do you expect to be changed when new people enter your faith community?
    - ii. What do you see as your learning and growing edges in this area?
5. What do you think it means to be “missional”?