

7 Characteristics of Missional Leaders

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1. Strong faith formation: Demonstrates a passion for Jesus through discipleship, ability to articulate the gospel, and spiritual practices.
2. Visioning capacity: Develops plans and priorities to implement actions for growth.
3. Ability to gather people: Shows commitment to building a group of leaders who will help accomplish ministry goals.
4. Equipping leaders to use their gifts: Empowers others in their vocations and callings.
5. Resilience: Demonstrates grit, expects the unexpected and makes the most of it.
6. Cross-cultural competence (anti-racist): Desires to face and continually address their own racism and systemic racism.
7. Commitment to the ELCA in all expressions: Demonstrates a commitment to mission development with other congregations, synod, and churchwide expressions.