Acts 2 Churches (formerly “Mission” Churches)

In 2019, after more than a year in prayerful study and deliberation and in recognition of their essential contributions to our diocesan life and mission, we instituted new framework for understanding the ministry of our “mission” churches. Previously, the mission churches were often regarded as secondary churches which could be further from the truth.

These churches and their vicars labor tirelessly and have adapted to continue to serve their communities, creating sacred encounters throughout the week.

As one people and one diocese we support one another by sharing what we have according to the other’s need. This is core to our identity and our calling as Christians and is the source of the name, “Acts 2.”

As part of our envisioning, we created a new funding paradigm which instituted a renewable 5- year funding cycle for each church. Our Acts 2 Churches are reaching out into the world like the early church.

These churches include:

* Church of the Advocate, Philadelphia
* Darby Mission, Darby
* Free Church of St. John, Philadelphia
* Iglesia de Cristo y San Ambrosio, Philadelphia
* St Gabriel’s, Philadelphia
* St Mary’s, Chester