

FaithCARE facilitators are

Professionals with extensive training in Restorative Practice. FaithCARE facilitators come from various denominational backgrounds. They include pastors, therapists and educators.



The Aim of Restorative Practice in Congregations

To build community, nurture healthy relationships, foster accountability, develop respect for differences, and address conflict and tensions through open and honest conversations.

Restorative Practice in congregations offers tools to build a restorative culture

More and more congregations are discovering the effectiveness of Restorative Practice in responding to conflict.

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Communities
Affirming
Restorative
Experiences

FaithCARE is guided by an interdenominational steering group of restorative justice practitioners.



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Conflict is inevitable.
The response is up to us.

The Restorative Difference

Restorative Practice provides a congregational response to the harm created through conflict and tensions so that the dignity of everyone remains intact.



Healthy Relationships

A restorative congregation respects differences as inevitable and necessary for growth. A restorative congregation:

- strives to build healthy relationships where differences are respected
- experiences conflict as a creative and transformative force

The Challenge

Congregations strive to be places of love, peace and justice. Destructive conflict can lead to a divisive and fragmented community. Often during periods of conflict faith communities feel stuck, unable to move forward. Conflict becomes a debilitating force rather than a constructive opportunity.

FaithCARE offers

1 *A restorative response to conflict*

Using Restorative Practice to meet each congregation's particular needs, FaithCARE invites those in conflict to talk to each other through facilitated circles.

Restorative questions form the basis for the circles.

Questions may include:

- What happened?
- What impact has the incident or issue had on you and others?
- What has been the hardest thing for you?
- What do you think needs to happen to make things right?
- What do you need to do to make things right?

2 *A process to become restorative congregations*

FaithCARE offers workshops and other educational opportunities towards building a restorative congregation. Congregations learn the fundamentals of restorative processes.

FaithCARE is committed to help congregations

- repair harm, restore relationships and move forward
- transform conflict into growth for all, fostering respect and acceptance of differences
- become restorative, relational communities

Restorative practice is grounded in the belief that:

- every person has God-given worth
- no one is disposable
- human conflict and harm can be most effectively addressed by attending to the healing of all persons affected

Building faithful community through restorative practices.

Give FaithCARE a try

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