TRANSFORMED AND TRANSFORMING
Radically Following Christ in Mission Together

Being led by the Holy Spirit, serving with each other, engaging our diverse world and striving for a multicultural future freed from racism and working with all the partners that God provides, as we move toward a fifth century of mission and ministry, the Reformed Church in America commits to focus its efforts for the next fifteen years on the following three interconnected strategic priorities:

1) Cultivating Transformation in Christ
   (John 15; Deut. 6:4-9; 1 Cor. 3:6-8; Rom. 12:1-2; 2 Cor. 3:18; Matt. 22:34-40; Luke 6:40; Acts 2:42-47; 2 Cor. 5:17-18; Matt. 28:18-20; Eph. 4:16; Gal. 3:28)
   • Increasing our personal and corporate intimacy with God, emphasizing prayer and worship.
   • Opening ourselves humbly to deep change under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.
   • Developing passionate disciples filled with the Holy Spirit and the truth of the Word who effectively make followers of Jesus who live and love like him.
   • Loving and embracing all people inside and outside of ARC’s ministry.
   • Building intentional intergenerational discipling relationships.
   • Engaging change conflict in healthy and redemptive ways.
   • Disciple for heart transformation rather than behavior modification or sin management.
   • Promote small groups within ARC as laboratories of grace and truth communities.

2) Equipping Emerging Leaders of Today and Tomorrow
   (Deut. 6:4-9; Luke 9:48; Eph. 2:10; Eph. 4:11-12; 2 Tim. 2:2; Proverbs 22:6)
   • Increasing the awareness that God is calling youth and young adults to become spiritual leaders.
   • Developing youth intentionally for family, missional, congregational, and pastoral leadership.
   • Mobilizing emerging leaders for service as ambassadors of reconciliation and fishers of men in the church and around the world.
   • Preparing diverse and healthy leaders of all ages for fruitful ministry in diverse environments.
   • Embracing our responsibility to be good stewards of all gifts of grace.
   • Resource and train parents to develop a discipleship vision and plan for their families.
   • Develop disciples who are excited and intentional about “preparing the way” for the second coming of Christ.

3) Engaging in Christ’s Kingdom Mission
   • Contextualizing ministry in new and expanded ways.
   • Prioritizing youth involvement in missional ministry.
   • Serving as agents of renewal through putting our faith in action.
   • Promoting justice, compassion, and reconciliation.
   • Expanding mission that is both local and global with equal passion and commitment.
   • Embracing our mission to the world and sharing the good news of the gospel with everyone.
   • Multiplying missional communities and new ministries that put the love of Christ into action.
   • Equipping and empowering each member of ARC to see themselves as a missionary to their circle of influence.

Note: The underlined bullet points are additional areas of focus particular to ARC.