

Grab a notebook and hone your skills of pastoral seeing and reflection.

MINI-ETHNOGRAPHY



CHOOSE YOUR MINISTRY SETTING

Ministry in the time of the Coronavirus Pandemic is all new and rapidly changing. Where and how are you offering pastoral leadership and care these days? Choose one area of ministry to focus on.



SET A TIME TO OBSERVE...

Ministry is very demanding as we all learn to do our work in a new way at this moment. Taking time to observe what is changing and how things are going can be a gift to yourself and others.



...WHAT DO YOU NOTICE?

As you look around your recently changed ministry setting.... What do you see, hear, smell, taste, feel and sense intuitively? What stands out? How are things different and similar compared to a month ago?



WHERE PEOPLE ARE COMING FROM?

- What do you notice about race, gender, socio-economic status or location?
- How do people seem to see the world?
- What needs and stressors are at play?



QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

- Where do you notice the holy?
- What questions are people asking of you in this setting?
- What questions are *you* asking ?



IMAGES AND METAPHORS

What metaphors and images help you to describe, understand, and respond to this ministry situation?

