

Holy Shift: Strategic Thinking for Congregations

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- *Visioning, mission, and strategy planning*
- *Engaging diverse constituencies and supporters*
- *Responding quickly and effectively to changing realities*
- *Building a heightened sense of identity, purpose, and direction*
- *Putting plans into action*

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