

Vermont Interfaith Action

What: Vermont Interfaith Action (VIA) is a faith-based, grassroots coalition of congregations that transforms ordinary people into empowered and engaged citizens. VIA's goal is to create the hope, power, knowledge, and political will needed to make compassion and social justice a reality for all Vermonters.

VIA's mission is to create solutions to systemic issues that prevent society's most vulnerable citizens from enjoying the quality of life God intends for us all. To effect change, VIA develops leaders who:

- Reflect on how our faith values speak to problems in our communities
- Identify common issues and concerns by building relationships in one-to-one Conversations with members of congregations, and community and public officials
- Engage in thorough research to increase understanding and target a critical issue

When: Ongoing

Who: Pastor Nancy, committee members, and council have met with VIA representatives. Pastor Nancy meets periodically with pastors from other faiths involved in this effort.

How: Ascension is considering joining this grassroots coalition.

Website: <http://www.viavt.org/>