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In Matthew 25 (and elsewhere), Jesus confronts the tendency to rank and sort people into systems that elevate some and diminish others as if all were not equally loved and precious in the eyes of the creator.

Mental health status (like race, gender, class, religion, ethnicity, etc.) is one of the ways people can experience unearned privilege, or encounter 'othering,' stigma, and marginalization that increase pain and isolation.

Mental health ministry happens in communities that nurture authenticity, know how to respond when someone is in crisis or pain and 'walk alongside' with healthy boundaries, recognizing our common humanity and gifts, whatever our mental health status.

Resourcing

information, tools,
website & curated
resource collections,
fielding inquiries

Partnering with
Presbyterian Mental
Health Network

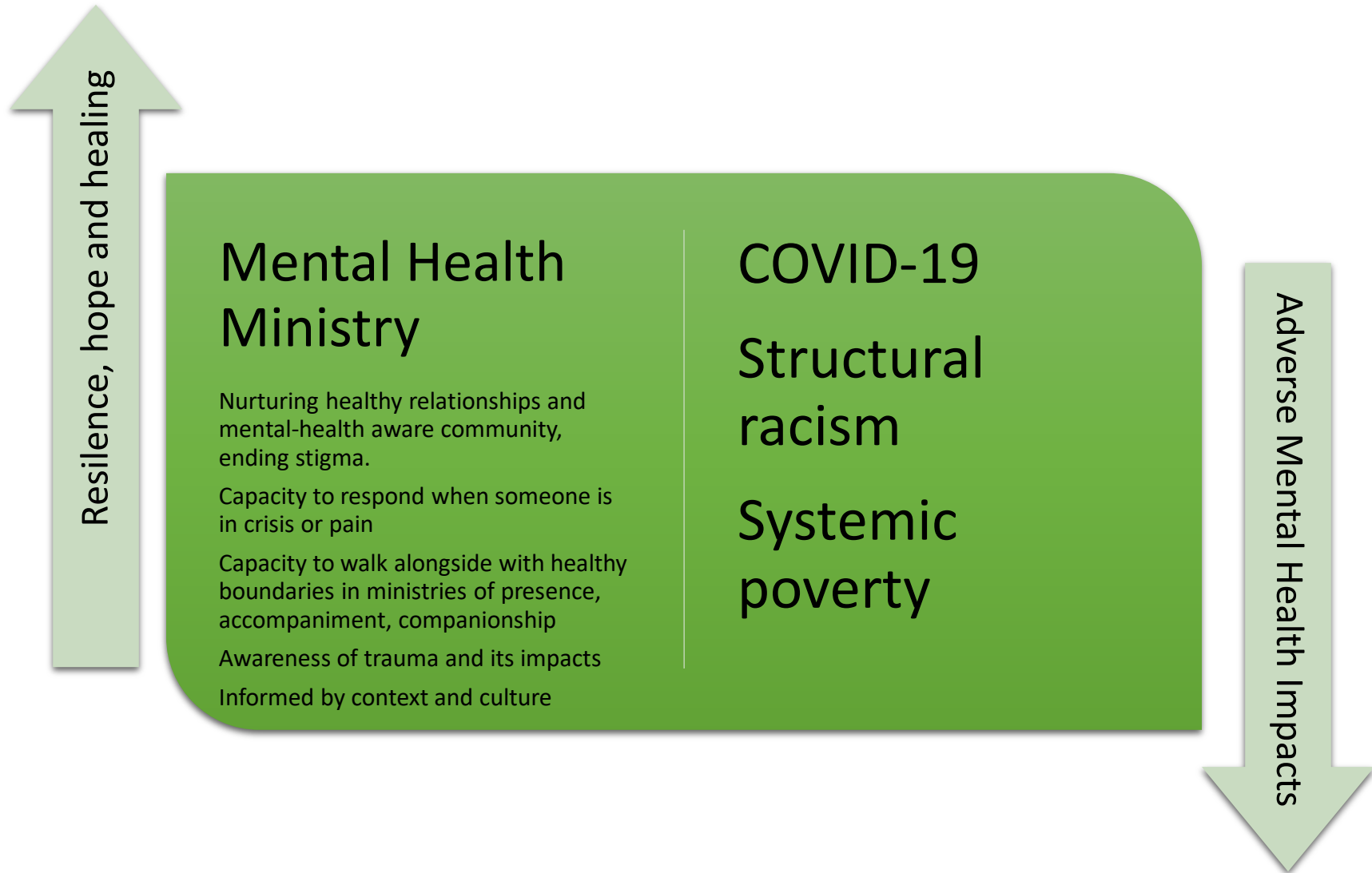
Grant
Program
generating
models &
leadership

Presbyterian Mental Health Network (PMHN)

promoting mental health
ministries, facilitating
connections, networking &
model-sharing

PCUSA Mental Health Ministry
www.pcusa.org/mentalhealth

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Dismantling structural racism

- Five grant projects addressing mental health in BIPOC communities
- Curated collection of online resources on intersection of race and mental health

Ending systemic poverty

- Two grant projects addressing intersections of mental illness/substance use, homelessness, stigma.

Congregational Vitality

- 21 grant projects generating models and leadership in mental health ministry.
- Resourcing to support congregations addressing mental health.