**August 8, 2025: Walking in Hope—Accompanying Persons with Disabilities**

**OLGC Team Presentation: Learning Modalities**

**Dr. Linda Dix: Adaptive Storyboards**

“The Universal Design for Learning (UDL) supports guidelines that encourage the following: (udl guidelines.cast.org)

Design multiple means of engagement to include:

Welcome interest and identities

Sustaining Effort and Persistence

Emotional Capacity

Design Multiple Means of Representation

Perception, Language, Symbols, and Building Knowledge

Design multiple Means of Action and Expression to include:

Interaction, expression, communication, and strategy development”

The Visual Learning Modality:

“Visual learners prefer to learn through images and graphics. Students who are visual learners are great at visual presentations and learning through images.” (Drew, Chris. Journal of Learning, Development in Higher Education. *Learning Modalities in Education. Helpful Professor, December 10, 2019. Based on Howard Gardner’s Theory of Multiple Intelligences: Intelligence is not a single ability but a collection of distinct types.)*

*Several modalities are implemented: Guided Meditation, Music, Bells, Prayer Gardens*

The white adaptive storyboards are used with our students with disabilities in a visual learning modality in a variety of ways:

Curricular: to depict a concept of the curriculum

e.g.: Gospel account of Jesus Calming the Seas

Progressive: Each session involves our students coming forward to the “Promise” board and placing a sticker on this week’s session as a sign of their commitment and willingness to put in to practice our week’s goal. The stickers “grow” or “progress” each week as we grow closer in our relationship to Christ

e.g. The Promise Board of 2024-2025

Interactive: Using Velcro or plastic hooks or felt boards, the students come forward to become part of the week’s lesson

e.g. Jubilee “doors” as we tell the Holy Week Story and Easter

Liturgical: The visual will depict a particular season of the year

e.g. Christmas Storyboard

Saints: Stories of the saints are told as the saint feast day is celebrated during the year. e.g. St. Martin de Porres

**All storyboards can be taken home by participants today! Help yourself.**