

## **BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION**

### **ESSIE KOENIG-REINKE**

Essie Koenig-Reinke grew up in Kansas and Oklahoma and has a deep love for red clay dirt and flint hills sunsets. She has spent the last decade learning what life is like outside of America's heartland. She has served as a PCUSA Young Adult Volunteer (YAV) in Belfast Northern Ireland, attended Seminary at Union Presbyterian Seminary in Richmond, Virginia. Before moving to Baltimore, explored the Great Lakes State of Michigan as she served as the Interim Director of Youth Ministry at First Presbyterian Church of Ann Arbor. Essie is passionate about the church, cultivating community, and creativity in worship. She also loves all things related to lavender, coffee, and mystery books. Essie is married to Rev. Eric Koenig-Reinke, who currently serves as the associate for intergenerational ministries at Red Clay Creek Presbyterian Church in Wilmington, Delaware. Their dog, Bentley, loves playing tag, running around, and exploring the world around him. Essie and Eric currently live in Northeast, Maryland, and love soaking up all the beauty and seafood the bay has to offer.