

Aldersgate United Methodist Church

Mission, Vision and Core Values

Mission Statement: The mission of Aldersgate is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Vision Statement: Where people know Jesus and make Him known. (John 17)

Core Values:

Our Core Values shape the culture, direction, and leadership of Aldersgate. They are critical to how we fulfill our Vision and enable us to accomplish our Mission with excellence. In the journey of living out our core values, we are intentional, invitational and innovative.

Relational:

We are made in the image of a relational God. We are meant to share life with each other in strong personal relationships within a community of faith. Relationships are built over time with intentional effort, selfless love and sincere respect. We are a church that provides opportunity for people to love, care and support one another. We hold each other accountable in our quest toward a meaningful, personal relationship with Jesus Christ. (Genesis 1:26, 1 Samuel 18:3, Acts 2:42-47)

Biblical:

The Holy Bible is the inspired and authoritative Word of God. The Old and New Testament reveal what is necessary for our salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. It is to be received through the Holy Spirit as the trustworthy, reliable, and true rule and guide for faith, teaching and practice. It is our source of knowledge and understanding about the Triune God, and our foundation for discerning right doctrine and Christian moral practice. (Psalm 1, Psalm 119, Isaiah 40:8, 2 Timothy 3:16, Hebrews 4:12-13)

Prayerful:

Prayer is conversation with God. Because Jesus Christ lives, we pray to seek, hear and submit to God's will as we live faithfully before Him. We pray in all circumstances: privately, in community, for others, and for ourselves. We invite the Holy Spirit to move within and through us, which makes our earnest prayers powerful and effective for the transformation of the world. (Jeremiah 29:13, Romans 8:26, Philippians 4:6-7, Colossians 1:9-14, James 5:16)

Disciples Making Disciples:

Discipleship is becoming like Jesus Christ. Through the grace of God, guided by the Holy Spirit, we follow the teachings and the example of Jesus Christ as recorded in scripture. Discipleship is a life-long journey that involves meaningful relationships enhanced by honest and loving accountability. (John 8:32, Luke 9:23, Romans 8:29)

Missional:

We are an externally focused church. Inspired by God's love for us, we strive to provide for the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of people, through the power of the Holy Spirit, with the purpose of sharing the gospel to make new disciples of Jesus Christ. (Genesis 12:2-3, Matthew 23:11, 28:16-20)