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WOODMARK CHURCH



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Woodmark Church is a community of people practicing the way of Jesus together.

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Those who are planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish in the courts of our God.

- Psalm 92:13 NKJV

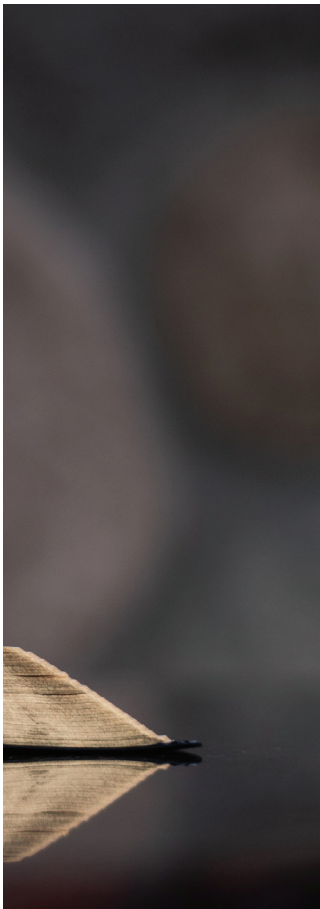


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The Woodmark Church Story

Woodmark Church is a church plant birthed out of a call and desire to plant more churches in the Northwest. Seven families began to gather in late 2021 to dream and pray for more life-giving churches in the Seattle metropolitan region. As the team began to grow, team members joined from all over the Puget Sound. Through prayer and discussions, a desire was born to plant a church near Kirkland.

The word “Woodmark” highlights the foundation of our faith and salvation, which is Jesus dying on the cross for our sins:

**There was a tree upon which nail marks were left
And those nails also left their marks on the One
Then they became the only thing in heaven made by the hands of men**

Pastor Russell & Tanya Korets had been part of several other church plants and campus launches, and all along God was preparing them to plant Woodmark Church.

The Lord provided a meeting space in on Sunday mornings in Kirkland, Washington, and the first services started in January of 2022! Our desire is to be a life-giving community church in Kirkland, Washington, where people from all backgrounds can find Jesus, connect to community, and change the world around us together!

We are excited to see what God is going to do at and through Woodmark Church in the decades to come!



Why are we here today?

1. To discover **WHY** we do **WHAT** we do at Woodmark Church.
2. To answer the question: Am I called to **BELONG** to this church?
3. To discover some **NEXT RIGHT STEPS** you can take, as you grow in Christ and at Woodmark Church.
4. To discover ways you can get **CONNECTED** and **INVOLVED** at Woodmark Church.

MEMBERSHIP PURPOSE

You are joining the church **FAMILY**.

...you are members of God's very own family, ...and you belong in God's household with every other Christian. EPHESIANS 2:19 (LB)

A person standing alone can be attacked and defeated, but two can stand back-to-back and conquer. Three are even better, for a triple-braided cord is not easily broken. ECCLESIASTES 4:12 (NLT)

You move from a **SPECTATOR** to a participant.

Woodmark Church changes from "that church I go to" to "**MY** church that **I BELONG** to"

END GOAL OF TODAY

That I would **COMMIT MYSELF** to:

1. Jesus
2. Woodmark Church
3. Taking my next right step as I follow Jesus.



Who we are

UNIQUENESS OF Woodmark Church

Woodmark CHURCH VALUES

Woodmark Church is where **LIFE** **CHANGE** takes place.

“Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland.”

ISAIAH 43:18-19 (NIV)

OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

Woodmark Church exists to make **MORE** and **BETTER** disciples who practice the way of Jesus.

Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God’s people and also members of His household, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit. EPHESIANS 2:19-22 (NIV)

1. We are committed to the **UNCOMMITTED** inviting people to trust Jesus. **Romans 10:14**
2. We are **committed** to authority, infallibility and sufficiency of Scripture, the **Bible** as our highest **authority**. The **BIBLE** is the “supreme court” for all matters of faith and conduct.
2 Timothy 3:16-17
3. We invite people to take their **NEXT** **RIGHT** **STEP** in Jesus Christ, knowing that spiritual growth is essential to the full life that Jesus promised. **John 10:10**
4. We invest in the **NEXT** **GENERATION** with our time, energy and financial resources. **Deuteronomy 6:7**



Our beliefs

OUR FRAMEWORK

Everything we do is to make church easy to **UNDERSTAND** and accessible for everyone.

“It is my judgment, therefore, that we should not make it difficult for the Gentiles who are turning to God.” ACTS 15:19 (NIV)

We are intentional about Woodmark Church being a **SAFE** place to invite your friends.

We cast a **WIDE** net

“Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will send you out to fish for people.” MATTHEW 4:19 (NIV)

We don’t **ENDORSE** every lifestyle or choice.

Woodmark adheres to a traditional/biblical view of marriage and sexuality.

Whatever happens, conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ.
PHILIPPIANS 1:27 (NIV)

OUR BELIEFS

In foundational beliefs, we have **UNITY.**

There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all. EPHESIANS 4:4-6 (NIV)

In non-essential beliefs, we have **LIBERTY.**

Accept the one whose faith is weak, without quarreling over disputable matters. ...Who are you to judge someone else’s servant? To their own master, servants stand or fall...
ROMANS 14:1,4 (NIV)

In all our beliefs, we show **LOVE.**

If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. 1 CORINTHIANS 13:2 (NIV)



What we believe

1. We believe that the Bible is God's Word. It is accurate, authoritative and applicable to our everyday lives.
2. We believe in one eternal God who is the Creator of all things. He exists in three Persons: God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. He is totally loving and completely Holy.
3. We believe that sin has separated each of us from God and His purpose for our lives.
4. We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ as both God and man. man. He is the only One who can reconcile us to God. He lived a sinless and exemplary life, died on the cross in our place, and rose again to prove His victory and empower us for life.
5. We believe that in order to receive forgiveness and the 'new birth' we must repent of our sins, believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, and submit to His will for our lives.
6. We believe that in order to live the holy and fruitful lives that God intends for us, we need to be baptized in water and be filled with the power of the Holy Spirit.
7. We believe in the power and significance of the Church and the necessity of believers to meet regularly together for fellowship, prayer and the 'breaking of bread'.
8. We believe that God has individually equipped us so that we can successfully achieve His purpose for our lives which is to worship God, fulfil our role in the Church and serve the community in which we live.
9. We believe that God wants to heal and transform us so that we can live healthy and blessed lives in order to help others more effectively.
10. We believe that our eternal destination of either Heaven or hell is determined by our response to the Lord Jesus Christ.
11. We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ is coming back again as He promised.

Baptisms

Once we have accepted Christ as **OUR** Lord and Savior, the Bible says we should be baptized.

Baptism is **GOING PUBLIC** with your faith.

A **SYMBOL** of your new life as a Christian.

Doesn't save you. **ONLY** your faith in Christ does.

We were therefore buried with Him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. ROMANS 6:4 (NIV)

Communion

We believe The Lord's Supper, also known as **COMMUNION**, is a memorial of Christ's death; the elements are symbolic of His body and blood. In communion we remember what Christ has done to secure our salvation, and we proclaim that He is coming again.
(Matthew 26:26-29; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26)

While baptism is a one-time act of obedience, communion is an ongoing act of obedience, to be done regularly by the person who has put his or her faith in Christ's life, death and resurrection.

At Woodmark Church, we typically celebrate The Lord's Supper on the first Sunday of the month. All those who have made Jesus the Lord and Savior of their lives are welcome to participate in communion.



Government

As you consider investing your heart, time, family, and finances into the life of a church, it is important for you to feel confident in church leadership. Our goal in sharing the details of Woodmark's government is that you can better understand that our church is structured to support the values of integrity, accountability, and spiritual authority.

Our church government is made up of three groups of elders. We are:

1. Guided by **PASTORS**.

The Pastoral Staff team is led by the Lead Pastor, Russell Korets. This team oversees the day-to-day ministry and operations of the church. These pastors serve the congregation and are responsible for the development of the spiritual life of the church.

2. Protected by **ELDERS**.

Our Elders are members of the congregation appointed by the Lead Pastor to oversee the spiritual, relational and financial health and provide counsel to the Pastoral Leadership Team regarding the major financial commitments of the church.

3. Strengthened by **OVERSEERS**.

The Overseers are several outside pastors of respected congregations and ministries who love Woodmark Church and its Lead Pastor and provide spiritual protection to the church. They may be called upon to help in accountability matters relating to the Lead Pastor if requested to do so by the Pastoral Staff or Elders.





Next right steps

We all need to **CONTINUE** to **GROW** and have a next right step in our walk with Christ.

But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. 2 PETER 3:18 (NIV)

SERVE

Serving is a way to make a **DIFFERENCE** and make a **FRIEND**.

“By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.” JOHN 13:35 (NIV)

There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it. 1 CORINTHIANS 12:4-5,27 (NIV)

- Explore opportunities with a **TEAM** member.
- Check out the church website www.woodmarkchurch.com
- Use your connection card or membership form to **SIGN UP**

*** SEE PAGES 19 - 21 FOR WAYS TO SERVE**

GROUPS AND CLASSES

Groups and classes are one way we make a **BIG** Church feel **SMALL**.

Groups are a great way to CARE for others and be **CARED FOR**.

Groups usually gather in homes, on campus, online and in the community for

CONNECTION

STUDY

PRAYER

SERVING

Groups occur in the Fall, Winter, Spring, and Summer for six to eight weeks.

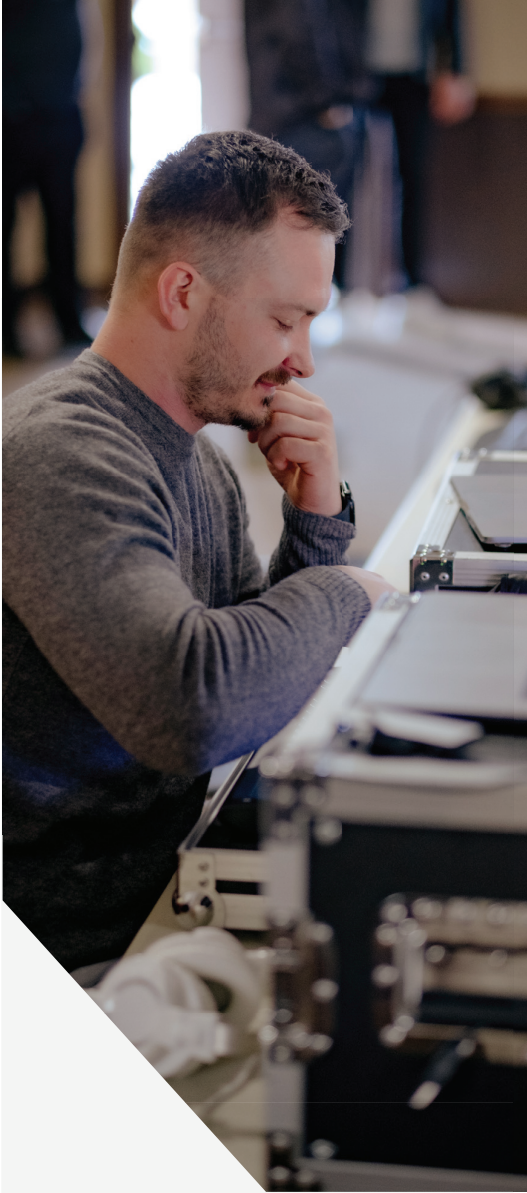
Host a group! We offer host **TRAINING**, easy to use **STUDIES**, and **MESSAGE SERIES** curriculum to make it easier.

...So speak encouraging words to one another. Build up hope so you'll all be together in this, no one left out, no one left behind. I know you're already doing this; just keep on doing it.

¹ THESSALONIANS 5:11 (MSG)

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. ACTS 2:42 (NIV)





Giving & Tithing

We want everyone to join us on a **JOURNEY** of **GENEROSITY**.

“Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this,” says the Lord Almighty, “and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it.”

MALACHI 3:10 (NIV)

You should have practiced the latter, without neglecting the former.

MATTHEW 23:23 (NIV).

FIRST TIME GIVER

I commit to give for the first time to Woodmark.

INTENTIONAL GIVER

I give consistently to the ministries of Woodmark.

PERCENTAGE GIVE

I regularly give a percentage of my annual income to Woodmark.

EXTRAVAGANT GIVER

I give beyond my tithe (10%) to Woodmark.

WAYS TO GIVE

- Give at a weekend service.
- Give online at www.woodmarkchurch.com
- Give via the Woodmark Church App.
- Give via CashApp, by giving to \$woodmarkchurch



Becoming a Member

Woodmark Church Membership Covenant

Having received Christ as my Lord and Savior and being in agreement with the values and ideas presented in Discover Woodmark, I now feel led by the Holy Spirit to unite with Woodmark Church family. In doing so, I make the following commitment to God and my fellow church members:



1. I will protect the unity of my church by:

- Acting in love toward other members.
- Refusing to gossip.
- Following the leaders

...So speak encouraging words to one another. Build up hope so you'll all be together in this, no one left out, no one left behind. I know you're already doing this; just keep on doing it.

1 THESSALONIANS 5:11 (MSG)

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. ACTS 2:42 (NIV)

"Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for each other, love one another deeply, from the heart."

1 Peter 1:22

"Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs."

Ephesians 4:29

"Have confidence in your leaders and submit to their authority, because they keep watch over you as those who must give an account. Do this so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be of no benefit to you."

Hebrews 13:17

2. I will share the responsibility of my church by:

- Praying for its growth and health.
- Inviting the unchurched to attend.
- Warmly welcoming those who visit.

"To the church...we always thank God for all of you and continually mention you in our prayers."

1 Thessalonians 1:1-2

"Go out into the country...and urge anyone you find to come in, so that the house will be full."

Luke 14:23 TLB

"So, warmly welcome each other into the church, just as Christ has warmly welcomed you; then God will be glorified."

Romans 15:7 TLB

3. I will serve the ministry of my church by:

- Discovering my gifts and talents.
- Using my God-given gifts to make a difference in the lives of others.
- Developing a servant's heart.

“Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God’s grace in its various forms.”

1 Peter 4:10

“So Christ Himself gave...pastors and teachers, to equip His people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up.”

Ephesians 4:11–12

“Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others. Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus...taking the form of a bondservant...”

Philippians 2:4–5, 7 NKJV

4. I will support the testimony of my church by:

- Attending church and Small Groups faithfully.
- Living a godly life.
- Giving regularly.

“They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.”

Acts 2:42

“Let us not neglect our meeting together...but encourage one another.”

Hebrews 10:25 NLT

“But whatever happens, make sure that your everyday life is worthy of the Gospel of Christ.”

Philippians 1:27





Dream Team Core Values

GOD

1. We love **GOD** .

“When they saw the courage of Peter and John and realized that they were unschooled, ordinary men, they were astonished and they took note that these men had been with Jesus.”

Acts 4:13

Develop your **CLOSENESS WITH GOD** .

Develop your **CHARACTER** .

Develop your **CALLING** .

PEOPLE

2. We love **PEOPLE** .

“Jesus called them together and said, ‘You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be the slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many.’”

Mark 10:42-45

Be a **SERVANT** .

Be a **TEAM PLAYER** .

Be **REAL** .

EXCELLENCE

3. We pursue **EXCELLENCE** .

“People were overwhelmed with amazement. ‘He has done everything well,’ they said.”

Mark 7:37

Do things **WELL** .

Do them **BEFORE YOU’RE ASKED** .

Do **MORE** than is **EXPECTED** .

JOY

4. We choose **JOY** .

“...sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; poor, yet making many rich; having nothing, and yet possessing everything.”

2 Corinthians 6:10

Be **ENJOYABLE** .

Be **POSITIVE** .

Be **LOYAL** .





To Begin Serving

1. Attend Discover Woodmark Church.
2. Fill out a connect card and indicate an area of ministry where you'd like to serve.
3. Have a conversation with one of our team members at your orientation for a personal connection to the team and to receive your next steps.

AREAS OF MINISTRY WHERE YOU CAN SERVE:

ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT

Weekday and occasional help with mailings, and other special projects to help support our administrative team.

CAMPUS FACILITY SUPPORT

Join the team that makes church physically happen every week. Your handy skills can build, maintain, and improve our campus. Helping set-up and tear-down a few hours a week is valued too.

CARE TEAM

The Care Team offers prayer, meals, card writing, and a helping hand for those in need. This is a great opportunity if you have a passion for people or just want to serve from home.

FIRST IMPRESSIONS TEAM

Creating a positive first impression for our guests makes a huge difference in their weekend experience, and ultimately their faith journey.

- Greeting
- Ushering
- Parking
- Interpreting – American Sign Language, Russian, Spanish
- Security
- Connect Center

WOODMARK GROUPS

Groups are the heart and soul of Woodmark Church. Host a group at your home or in the community. Groups are offered quarterly, and it's a short-term commitment (6-8 weeks).

HOSPITALITY TEAM

We strive to provide a welcoming church experience. Help create an inviting atmosphere by providing guests with freshly brewed coffee and snacks.

KIDS, EARLY CHILDHOOD (BIRTH-FIVE)

From greeting kids and families at the door to sharing a Bible story or helping with a craft, there is a serving opportunity for you in the Early Childhood Ministry.

KIDS, ELEMENTARY AGES

Whether helping with a craft, supervising game time or leading a small group, there is something for everyone! We want each child to have the best experience.

- Kindergarten – 5th Grade

KIDS, BUDDY MINISTRY (SPECIAL NEEDS)

Are you passionate for families whose children have special needs? You can help these kiddos be in loving hands and enjoying a Jesus-centered experience and allow their parents to go to service.

OUTREACH

Do you have a heart for local care concerns or global missions? Woodmark Church supports a number of outreach projects, and can help you get involved.

DIGITAL ENGAGEMENT TEAM

Are you passionate about social media? Help expand our virtual community at Woodmark Church. From chat hosting on the weekends during service, to social media engagement during the week, there are many opportunities to serve anywhere, and at any time.

SPECIAL EVENTS SUPPORT TEAM

Our special events take a lot of preparation. Whether it is helping to prepare programs, food prep or lobby set-up and take down we can use you!

STUDENT MINISTRIES

Make a lasting impact by getting involved in the lives of student.

- 6th-8th Grade - Middle School
- 9th-12th Grade - High School

TECHNOLOGY TEAM

From sound to video and photography, to lights, there are plenty of available opportunities. Help us make our worship experience amazing.

WORSHIP TEAM

Are you a gifted musician? Use your talents to serve on our music team.

- Bass
- Drums
- Guitar
- Keys
- Vocalist/Singer

MISSIONS

Locally by reaching out as a church to our local community through outreach and serving with organizations including Acres of Diamonds, Union Gospel Mission and Habitat for Humanity.

Globally through short-term and long-term mission trips.



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