



Our Mission: Invite and connect people to God and one another, through Christ's love.

Our Vision: to be a Christ-centered community, growing even deeper in faith, serving others, and sharing the good news of God's love in the world around us

At St. John's Lutheran Church we value

All Ages

St. John's is committed to be an inter-generational congregation, with attention given to all age levels in ministry, programs and focus. We will not be content when any age level is absent from our community of faith. We view St. John's Lutheran Church as an expression of the larger "family of God."

"Ascribe to the Lord, O families of the people, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength." (Psalm 96:7)

Hospitality

we value and welcome new people who are searching for a community of faith and a relationship with Jesus Christ. We invite them into a relationship with Jesus and with each other. We do everything we can to connect them to ministry opportunities and enable them to develop relationships with others, through the love of Jesus.

"Welcome one another, therefore, as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God." (Romans 15:7)

Unity in Christ - Spiritual growth and maturity results through the presence of the Holy Spirit who reminds us that "we are one in Christ Jesus." St. John's is committed to ever-expanding relationships with other churches and congregations. Our own congregational unity is best nurtured through regular worship, spiritual growth and service to others.

"One Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of us all, who is above all and through all and in all." (Ephesians 4:5-6)

Every Member in Ministry

Our expectation is that everyone who is a member of St. John's will find a ministry role or task that will enable them to live out their faith and put their faith into action. Each member will fully support the mission and ministry of St. John's through their involvement, tithes and offerings.

"Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of working, but it is the same God who inspires them all in every one." (1 Corinthians 12:4-6)

Liturgical Worship

St. John's provides a diversity of worship and musical expressions through its many worship services. However, there remains a central liturgical core, which provides continuity, meaning and a connection with the roots of our past, as we seek to praise God in the present.

"Ascribe to the Lord the glory of his name; worship the Lord in holy array." (Psalm 29:2)

Grace - St. John's is a congregation which functions in an atmosphere of God's grace and healing, rather than judgment and condemnation. We believe and trust the words of Scripture: *"By grace are you saved through faith, and this is not of your own doing. It is a gift of God." (Ephesians 2:8)*

Prayer

We are committed to pray unceasingly for one another, for our ministry, for our world as well as for our community. Through a life of prayer, we become even closer in our relationship to God and to one another.

"Pray at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication." (Ephesians 6:18)

Small Groups

Small face-to-face groups are one of the best ways to experience Christian community. Within the context of a small group, we are the "communion of saints" and seek to build up one another in faith. We rejoice together, suffer together and support one another as partners in ministry.

"...that the members may have the same care for one another, if one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together." (1 Corinthians 12:25-26)