MATTHEW 25:40

"The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."

HUMILITY

By recognizing the virtues and talents of others and my own limitations, I am free to focus on God's presence and to receive the grace of God through his Son, Jesus Christ.

COLOSSIANS 3:12

"Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience."

JOHN 13:1-12

(Jesus washing the feet of the Disciples) "...When he had finished washing their feet, he put on his clothes and returned to his place. 'Do you understand what I have done for you?' he asked them."

EPHESIANS 4:2-6

"Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. 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, who is over all and through all and in all."

PHILIPPIANS 2:3

"Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves."

JUSTICE / RIGHTEOUSNESS

As followers of Christ, we seek to bring God's kingdom to the here and now. We do this because, as Christ does for us, we seek to repair the brokenness of local and global communities.

PSALM 89:14

"Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne; love and faithfulness go before you."

MATTHEW 5:10

"Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

ROMANS 6:13

"But rather offer yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life; and offer every part of yourself to him as an instrument of righteousness."

ROMANS 3:25

"God presented Christ as a sacrifice of atonement, through the shedding of his blood—to be received by faith. He did this to demonstrate his justice, because in his forbearance he had left the sins committed beforehand unpunished."

FAITHFULNESS

The Lord is faithful at all times and in all things. Our trust in the Scriptures and God's promise lead us to live faithfully.

PROVERBS 3:3

"Let love and faithfulness never leave you; bind them around your neck, write them on the tablet of your heart."

PSALM 146:6

"He is the Maker of heaven and earth, the sea, and everything in them— he remains faithful forever."

ROMANS 1:12

"That is, that you and I may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith. He has shown all you people what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God."



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VISION

A HEALTHY CONGREGATION GROUNDED IN GOD'S GRACE, SHARING OUR FAITH THROUGH PASSION-ATE MINISTRY IN AN EVER-CHANGING WORLD.

MISSION

AS COMMISSIONED DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST, GUIDED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT, WE W ILL:

FAITH, WORSHIP AND PRAYER

- Respond to God in worship and prayer with a heart of gratitude, open to God's transforming work in our community and world.
- Offer an inspired variety of services of Word and Sacrament that are relevant to serve our changing community fellowship.
- Engage each other in congregational and community relationships full of grace, forgiveness, and love, as God receives and engages us.
- Seek to understand and respect the multitude of views within our congregation, community, and world; always striving toward healthy communication, mutual understanding, and authentic community based upon Christian love.

DISCIPLESHIP

- Renew our minds and hearts in the living Word of God which guides us as a community in relational ministry through the power of the Holy Spirit.
- Develop both personal and communal spirituality, practicing the marks of Discipleship: prayer, worship, Bible reading, service, spiritual relationships and giving.

SERVICE AND STEWARDSHIP

- Support and nurture a servant attitude within our church body.
- Reach out to others through ministry-based programs and services using our God-given gifts to promote social justice, reconciliation, and service within our church, community, and the world.

- Engage and empower our members to become a tithing congregation.
- Embrace conservation and sustainability in all aspects of the life of our church to protect and sustain ministries, future generations and God's creation.
- Invest in developing leaders who will align strategies to carry out our Mission and Vision.

EVANGELISM

- Create and sustain a church environment that is warm, stimulating, and welcoming, supportive of congregational needs, a blend of the fabric of our community, diverse, harmonious, and a safe place for all.
- Retell the Gospel of Jesus Christ in relevant ways which facilitates restoration in Christ Jesus through the work of the Holy Spirit.

VALUES

AS FOLLOWERS OF JESUS CHRIST AND AS THE COMMUNITY OF FAITH THAT IS ROSEVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH, WE SEEK TO LIVE THESE VAL-UES FOUNDED IN THE GOSPEL OF CHRIST.

GRACE/MERCY

All that I am and all that I have is a free gift from God without asking or earning.

HEBREWS 4:14-16

"Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has ascended into heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin. Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need."

EPHESIANS 2:8-9

"For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God - not by works, so that no one can boast."

LOVE

As we experience God's love for us through His Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, we are called to love God, self, and others, so that all will know we are His.

JOHN 13:34-35

"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

MATTHEW 22:37-39

Jesus replied: "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'"

1 JOHN 4:7-12

Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love. This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us."

SERVICE

Whether we are rich, poor, affluent, or unprivileged, as Christians we are called to make ourselves last among people. We serve the homeless, the downtrodden, the poor, the meek, the forgotten, the sick, and the last, as Christ served us.

MATTHEW 20:28

"Just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

1 CORINTHIANS 12:5

"There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord."

EPHESIANS 4:11-12 - 11

"So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, 12 to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up."