

## Faith Christian Reformed Church Vision and Mission

**Why: Our Vision** - We believe that becoming a disciple of Jesus is a lifelong journey. The vision of Faith Church is to be a dynamic church built by members who seek to be:

- 1) **Reaching Up:** *Prayerful* people who reach up by seeking spiritual transformation through engaging in personal and communal relationships with God through worship and seeking His will as members of His Kingdom
- 2) **Reaching In:** *Disciples* who reach in by participating and investing in the church according to their spiritual gifts to foster a nurturing, growing community deeply rooted in scripture and seeking to develop rich relationships;
- 3) **Reaching Out:** *Missional* people who reach out and bless the greater community by stepping into the lives of our neighbours so that they can experience the church as a place to be loved, to belong, and to taste and see that the Lord is good.

**What: Our Mission** - Together we:

- 1) **Pursue Spiritual Transformation** - We seek to grow as apprentices of Christ, devoted to discipleship, stewardship and spiritual growth. God's Word is central to our understanding of His will.
- 2) **Offer Inspiring Worship to God** - We meet every Sunday to offer up our prayers and praise to God and receive His renewing strength through the gift of His Spirit. Each service includes strong biblical teaching.
- 3) **Build Loving Relationships** - Together we establish relationships that reflect Christ, building connections with people in our church and neighbourhoods.
- 4) **Use our Gifts for Ministry** - We strive to identify our talents and gifts and use them with eagerness among people and situations that will be blessed by our generosity.
- 5) **Engage in Need-Oriented Mission** - Using the passion given to us, we seek to actively engage with our community and meet needs. Our goal is to demonstrate God's love in all situations.

**How: Living it out -**

- 1) **Worship** is contemporary and planned with believers, seekers and visitors in mind.
- 2) **Prayer** is woven through all of our ministry, and we seek to continually grow deeper in our experience and practice of prayer. Weekly prayer ministry is growing, both following our worship and throughout the week.
- 3) **Discipleship** is pursued through Home Church, Coffee Break, FaithWalking, Alpha and Discovery Classes, as well as through children and youth ministries..
- 4) **Home Church** is our primary avenue for connection and care; everyone is encouraged to be part of a Home Church small group.
- 5) **Children and youth ministries** support families in discipling children and young people in their relationship with Jesus.
- 6) **Community Ministry** is lived out through food related ministries, Coffee Break, GEMS & Boys Club, VBS, service opportunities for our youth, etc.
- 7) **Care Team** provides visits and support for individuals and families that require additional care. This team works in conjunction with the pastor, elders and deacons providing short term and longer term care.