

Claiming our Identity, Purpose, and Mission

Amidst all the change, ...
does anything stay the same?

As the culture shifts and changes
around us, what proven principles
remain firm and reliable?

Living the Baptized Life with Intentionality

Discipleship

We Are...

Baptized into the Body of Christ

Called followers of Jesus

Purposed to continue His Ministry in the world

**When we affirm our baptism (confirmation)
we agree to take this lifestyle and...**

Live among God's faithful people

Hear God's Word and share in the Lord's Supper

Proclaim the Good News of God in Word and Deed

Serve all people following the example of our Lord Jesus

Strive for justice and peace in all the earth

Six Principles of Discipleship

Discipleship is personal

Discipleship is relational

Discipleship is intentional

Discipleship is consistent

Discipleship is spirit-led

Discipleship is outcome – focused

Discipleship is Personal

If people are involved in our ministries, we assume that they are growing as disciples

We have a linear discipleship program. Everyone starts in the same place and follows the same path

We meet people where they are at and help them determine and take their next best step toward Jesus

Discipleship is Relational

We don't have intentional, personal discipleship conversations.

We have some mature Christians who meet one-on-one to disciple others.

**We have healthy relationships inside and outside of our congregation.
People are growing as disciples while making more disciples**

Discipleship is Intentional

We seek to address discipleship needs through sermons and curriculum

A high percentage of our people attend a Small Group

We equip people to discern and live into their gifts and calling

Discipleship is Consistent

Discipleship relationships tend to fall apart without ongoing staff involvement.

Our congregation has Small Groups that address discipleship

We continually help people engage in their spiritual formation and build redemptive relationships.

Discipleship is Spirit-Led

We stick to a curriculum-based approach to discipleship.

When the Spirit provides a word that directly speaks to someone, we don't follow up on it.

We discern the promptings of the Holy Spirit and maintain focus until the vision becomes reality.

Discipleship is Outcome – Focused

Our congregation is a “Come and See” model. We provide solid biblical teaching for those who enter our doors.

We have a solid Purpose Statement, but only a few are actively engaged pursuing that mission.

We have stated goals and objectives that relate directly to the Great Commandment(s) and the Great Commission.