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Because God has redeemed us through Jesus Christ we join the Psalmist who says, "One generation shall commend your works to another, and shall declare your mighty acts." *Psalm 145:4 (ESV)*

Therefore we . . .

- are "Bible-based" and "Christ-centered" from the perspective of the Lutheran Confessions.
- *"But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus." 2 Tim. 3:14-15 (ESV)*
- are life-long disciples, corporately and individually, worshipping, learning and teaching.
- *" . . . devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to exhortation, to teaching." 1 Tim. 4:13 (ESV)*
- wisely manage our time, resources, and abilities because all we have is a gift from God.  
*"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace." 1 Peter 4:10 (ESV)*
- serve in the home, the church, and the community.  
*. . . so also faith apart from works is dead. James 2:26b (ESV)*

- are connected to the people in our home, and church, reaching out to our community and world.

*"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age." Matthew 28:19-20 (ESV)*

*"I have become all things to all people that by all means I might save some." 1 Cor. 9:22b (ESV)*

- desire to pass the legacy of the faith to future generations.

*"And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise." Deuteronomy. 6:6-7 (ESV)*

### Our Mission

Our mission is to grow in our faith in Jesus Christ in order to share that faith with others.

### Our Vision

Our vision is to be a people transformed by the Gospel to live out and pass on the legacy of faith in Jesus Christ in our homes, community, and world. We will empower and equip people to mentor following generations so that the legacy of faith continues.

### Our Strategy

We have a message and a way of life that the whole world needs to hear and experience. We must pass it on. It is our desire that you would experience the love of Jesus Christ and become imitators of him through a process we know as **Learn, Live, Lead**. Our strategy is to be a community where the legacy of faith is **learned** in such a way that people grow to **live** that legacy and **lead** others to become part of that legacy.

**LEARN** about your Savior, yourself, and the legacy of the faith of the Lutheran Church, through education that happens through worship, Bible study, and prayer.

**LIVE** as a part of this legacy by wisely managing the gifts (*the time, resources and abilities*) given to you by God as you take action in serving your neighbor thereby connecting to your home, church, community and world.

**LEAD** this congregation's efforts to pass on this legacy of faith to the next generations, especially to the youth.