



The Vision for Christ Presbyterian Church 2022

By the grace and power of God...

Mission

We are a community centered in Christ
gathering in love,
growing by grace,
and going forth to serve.

| **A statement of why
we exist**

Vision

We are a community centered in Christ with
Worship that is diverse and inspiring,
Community that is intentionally inviting and inclusive,
Discipleship that is relevant and rooted in God's word,
Mission & Justice that is focused and facilitated.

| **A picture of the future
in 3-5 years**

The Vision Expanded

Imagine what Christ Presbyterian Church might be like by 2022 with God's grace and our obedience...

Worship

As people enter any of our diverse worship experiences in 2022 they are warmly welcomed into an awareness of God's presence. Music, drama, dance, preaching, architecture, and various visual arts inspire people and flow together to reflect the beauty of God. Participative worship unfolds that is rooted in the 2000-year-old narrative of God's salvation while touching our daily lives in relevant ways. Both personal and corporate expressions of worship are embraced and supported. Our multi-generational worship invites all who participate to open themselves to God. Worship services are attended by more than 400 each week.

Community

We unconditionally welcome all people. We invite people to join with us on our journey. With enthusiasm for the rich mosaic of people God has created, we seek to connect with and learn from others. We gather inside and outside our building for growth, service, and the sheer enjoyment of being together. Questions and doubts are met with love; those who are hurting or lonely experience compassion. Our conversations around a table and in chance encounters are both genuine and gracious. As a result, people of all ages, genders, and cultures feel attracted to Christ Presbyterian Church and our community is growing.

Discipleship

Our diverse and fast changing world leads us to seek a solid and meaningful foundation. With worship at the core of our spiritual grounding, we also engage God's word through Bible study, contemplation of creation, and conversation with each other. We examine current issues in the light of our faith and we grow both by listening and by acting on what we hear. We pursue deeper, more intimate relationships with God through a wide range of spiritual disciplines including prayer, meditation, activism, and our worship together.

Mission & Justice

Worship, community, and discipleship impel us into the world to live and serve according to God's purposes. With humility, we pursue authentic partnership with other people and organizations serving in our broader community. Together we focus mission engagement among international students, in the surrounding neighborhood, and on specific social justice issues with global and community partners. We also seek to facilitate responses to the many different calls people sense from God. By walking with others we hope to make known the mercy, shalom, justice, and love of God across the street and around the world.

Resourcing our vision

To realize this vision, new staffing and increased funding are a priority. In 2022 we have a capable, and dedicated staff team who are aligned with the vision. Members and friends are generous in giving of their time, and therefore play an integral part in the church's work. Volunteer leaders are trained, equipped, and connected for service. Our financial giving is up 30% to fully resource the mission with current-year giving and without dependency on the Legacy Fund for operating expenses. We carefully steward all the assets God has provided Christ Presbyterian Church. New systems and technology have improved communication and volunteer management, and they deepen engagement for all.

Values

We are a community centered in Christ...

- We receive and extend God's grace.
- We express our faith with creativity and excellence.
- We invite and welcome others.
- We pursue real relationships with one another.
- We do things together.
- We esteem children and youth.
- We give generously.
- We engage the world beyond ourselves.

The central behaviors and beliefs that drive our ministry