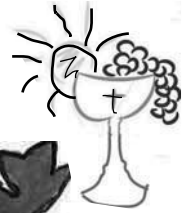


A Guiding Vision for Bethany Presbyterian Church

Loved by God, centered in Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit,
we are *called* to be the Body of Christ and *sent* to be Christ's ambassadors.



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SPIRITUAL FORMATION COMMISSION

In answer to the *call* we seek to grow into spiritual maturity by:

- Engaging in spiritual practices such as prayer, Bible study, personal devotion and meditation
- Gathering in small groups to learn and grow together
- Teaching our faith to younger generations

FELLOWSHIP COMMISSION

In answer to the *call* we join together as a community of faith by:

- Discovering and utilizing our gifts
- Celebrating our unity and respecting our diversity
- Building authentic relationships by working and playing together

WORSHIP & ARTS COMMISSION

In answer to the *call* we worship God by:

- Experiencing God's presence through Word and Sacrament
- Practicing creative and dynamic worship that engages all generations
- Honoring our Reformed tradition

MISSION & SOCIAL ACTION COMMISSION

In answer to the *sending* we show God's love by:

- Being active in the community and engaging with the neighborhood
- Working for peace and justice and showing compassion to those in need
- Being good stewards of all God has entrusted to our care

HOSPITALITY COMMISSION

In answer to the *sending* we proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ by:

- Inviting others to faith in Christ and to participation in our fellowship
- Welcoming and extending hospitality to all
- Expressing our faith through the way we live

Bethany's Buildings & Grounds,
Personnel and Budget &
Stewardship Commissions
provide the infrastructure for
the above commissions to
do their ministry.

In all things we are to be:
Authentic • Loving • Caring
Compassionate • Courageous • Accepting
People of hope, joy and love