

Our Mission

Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, Christ Church welcomes you into a loving and joyful community that serves others and seeks to grow deeper in relationship with God through Jesus Christ.

Our Core Values

Belonging: There is a place for you here.

Care: We support each other and those in need.

Community: We nurture relationships and connections where all of God's children can experience love, hope, and peace.

Episcopal Faith: The Episcopal tradition guides our worship, spiritual development, and church life.

Growth: We celebrate and encourage lifelong spiritual development of children, youth, and adults.

Sacred Experiences: We appreciate the beauty and holiness of our shared life, liturgy, music, and grounds.

Service: Following Jesus' example, we love and serve our neighbors by sharing our time, talent, and treasure.

Our Key Goals for the Next Five Years

We will grow our Episcopal faith community with God's help.

• By year-end 2027, we will have more than 2,000 active members, a 50% increase since 2022, by inspiring current members, re-engaging inactive members, and attracting new members, especially families with children and youth.

We will grow deeper relationships with God and with each other, following Jesus Christ.

- By year-end 2027, weekly worship attendance will have grown to 775 (this includes all services offered through the week), and participation in our program offerings for children, youth, and adults will average 150 children, 70 youth, and 470 adults engaged.
- Our Ministry Match Discovery Tool implementation will have energized our members in caring for one another and supporting parish ministry, and our next generation of lay leadership will be in place.
- We will be known as a church that serves in our local community, sharing our time, financial support, and Jesus' message of hope, love, and self-worth to those disadvantaged by poverty and underserved in education.

As stewards of the gifts that God entrusts to us, we will faithfully manage and share our property, financial resources, and the time and talents of our members to support our ministries in and beyond Christ Church.

- By year-end 2027, we will have monthly events that draw people to our campus, both for CCCH programs and for use by the local community.
- We will ensure the sustainable stewardship of our parish for future generations through our commitment to pledging, our care for the master property management plan, and our efforts to expand legacy giving to strengthen our endowment.

* For a copy of the detailed elements of our Key Goals, with 1st and 2nd year benchmarks, please contact the parish office at (302) 655-3379, Mike Socha at <u>mmskss@gmail.com</u>, or Joe Zakielarz at <u>jzakielarz@gmail.com</u>.

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