



OUR MISSION IS TO LOVE GOD AS WE LEAD PEOPLE INTO A GROWING RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS CHRIST.

“Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.” *Matthew 28:19-20*

“Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ *Matthew 22:37-39*

CORE VALUES

WORSHIP - Worship is the way we express our love, gratitude, and respect for God. Worship can take place individually or within a group. At Hillside, each week we host worship services so we can practice the biblical principle of meeting together to praise God as a community and to encourage each other in our faith. Times of worship may include music and singing, reading the Bible, praying, silence, and giving of an offering. *Hebrews 10:25*

GROW - Growth is promoted through two key elements: studying the Word of God and building community. The Bible is God’s Word to all people, and it gives wisdom and insight so that we can grow as believers. Creating community can be as simple as joining a group, being a part of a Serve Team, or participating in a Bible Study. No matter your season of life, we have a place for you to connect and grow. *Acts 2:42-27*

SERVE - Serving is at the heart of what it means to be like Jesus. Service happens within the walls of our church buildings, but also in our homes, our neighborhoods, our communities, and around the world. We want each person at Hillside to be empowered and equipped to serve in areas that use their unique God-given gifts. *1 Peter 4:10*

SHARE - Sharing is the most natural thing we can do as believers. As God changes our lives, we get to share that same hope and love with others. It might be a simple invitation to a worship service, or a conversation with a neighbor. We just share what God is doing in our lives and invite others to join us. *Romans 1:15-17*

GIVE - Giving is a way of life. We want to be a generous community that lives life with open hands, always looking for what we can give away and who we can bless. That is a collective commitment and an individual commitment. As individuals and families, we practice tithing and strive to be good caretakers of our finances and resources, recognizing that everything we have is a gift from God. *Acts 20:25*



DOCTRINAL STATEMENT

We acknowledge Jesus Christ to be our Lord and Savior, accept the Bible to be the inspired Word of God and our only rule of faith and practice, and recognize our duty and responsibility in sharing God's grace in the world.

WHAT WE BELIEVE

GOD - God is Creator and Ruler of the universe. There is one God in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We believe that God is the Creator and Sustainer of all things. He is Holy and Righteous. The only way to have an authentic relationship with God is through Jesus Christ. *Genesis 1:1; Psalm 145:21; Colossians 1:16; Psalm 90:2; Matthew 28:19; 2 Corinthians 13:14*

JESUS CHRIST - Jesus Christ has been one with God since eternity past, and God created the universe through Him. Jesus was born of the virgin Mary, took on flesh and blood, and made His dwelling among us. His physical death on the cross saves us from our sin. His bodily resurrection changed the course of history and created the path to eternal life with God. *Colossians 1:15-20; Matthew 1:18-2; John 1:1-4, John 14:6, John 3:16; 1 Corinthians 15:1-8*

THE HOLY SPIRIT - The Holy Spirit is equal with the Father and the Son as God. He makes us aware of our need to follow Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior. He lives in every Christian from the moment that person gives his or her life to Christ. He gives us guidance and leadership on a daily basis so we can obey God's Word and do what is right. He gives each of us spiritual gifts for the purpose of serving the Body of Christ. We seek to live under His control in all situations. *John 16:8-9; Acts 2:38; Romans 8:26-27; Ephesians 1:13-14, Ephesians 3:16, Ephesians 4:30, Ephesians 5:18; Galatians 5:16,25; 1 Corinthians 12,13*

MAN - We believe that man, created by God, willfully sinned, and as a result, is lost and without hope apart from Jesus Christ. *Genesis 1:27; Isaiah 53:6, Isaiah 59:1-2; Romans 3:23, Romans 5:8*

SALVATION - Salvation is a free gift of God. The death of Christ on the cross is the only sufficient payment for our sins. Every person has sinned, but every person also can be forgiven and saved by Christ. This salvation is available for any person who puts his or her trust in Christ as Savior. Those trusting Christ should ask Him for forgiveness of sin, believe in Him, confess their faith in Him, and be baptized. We show our faith publicly through baptism. *Romans 3:23, Romans 6:23; John 3:16; Romans 10:9; Acts 2:38; Matthew 28:19; Matthew 3:13-17*

THE BIBLE - We believe the Bible is the inspired Word of God and the final authority for all matters of faith. The Bible is God's Word to all people. *Romans 15:4; 2 Timothy 3:16; Psalm 119:105,160*

THE CHURCH - The Church is the Body of Christ on earth, empowered by the Holy Spirit to continue the task of leading others to faith in Christ and teaching followers of Christ to obey and serve Him. Involvement in a local church is critical to individual growth, fellowship, and support for life's day-to-day challenges. *Matthew 28:19-20; 1 Corinthians 12:12-27; Ephesians 4:1-16; Ephesians 2:19*

