

## TRINITY'S CORE VALUES

### God's Glory Is Our Passion

We long to see God's supremacy recognized and demonstrated in our lives and in the lives of all people.

### God's Word Is Our Foundation

We treasure the Word because it is true and because God gave it to us to redeem us and transform us.

### God's Spirit Is Our Power

We are eager to pursue God's active, powerful presence (the Holy Spirit), that Christ may be magnified in our lives, in our church, and among the nations.

### God's Gospel Is Our Center

The gospel has real life implications for every Christian—every single day. We are committed to preaching the gospel, singing it, praying it, and building our lives and church upon it.

### God's Simplicity Is Our Pattern

A schedule overrun with church programs and activities is not our aim. We purposely keep things simple so that we can have more time for building relationships with one another and with our neighbors.

### God's Community Is Our Context

We are committed to applying the gospel together in committed relationships that foster mutual encouragement, care, and a glad pursuit of Christlikeness.

### God's Welcome Is Our Hospitality

We believe God saved each of us to be spiritual contributors, not merely spiritual consumers. We reflect God's radical love to us by being relentlessly hospitable to each other and to the world.

### God's Provision Is Our Generosity

We give generously because Jesus has given generously. Though He was rich, He became poor for our sake, so that we, through His poverty, might become rich.

### God's Renewal Is Our Pursuit

We are serious about holistic mission—confronting our communities, our nation, our world, and ourselves with the renewing power of the gospel. Our gospel-centrality compels us to treasure the gospel personally and share it passionately.

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***For God.***

***For Abington.***

***For the World.***

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## MISSION VISION VALUES



**TRINITY**  
COMMUNITY CHURCH

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The vision that captures us.  
The mission that drives us.  
The values that define us.

## VISION

### What is a Vision Statement?

Our Vision is our dream for Trinity, our communities, and our world as we live on mission.

### Why is a Vision Statement important?

Our vision statement is the north star of Trinity Community Church. Vision tells us where and what we're shooting for [By the way, mission tells us how we're going to get there]. This vision statement describes Trinity as it would appear in a future successful state. Of course, we know our vision will never be fully realized until Jesus returns to reign forever in power. Still, we're compelled by our Savior to seek first His Kingdom and strive expectantly for the ideal set forth in God's Word. Fueled by the power of the Spirit, the hope of God, and the renewing work of Jesus' Gospel, we toil to reach our vision for the glory of God.

### What Is Trinity's Vision?

It is our hope, prayer, and dream that each Trinity member would live riveted to this extraordinary dream even as they live their very ordinary life:

*To see the renewing power of the gospel made visible for Jesus' fame, for Abington, and for the world.*

## MISSION

### What Is a Mission Statement?

Mission is the specific task Trinity seeks to accomplish today to realize its vision for the future.

### Why Is a Mission Statement Important?

A fog in our mission is a mist in our living. Boiling down our central purpose(s) as

Trinity Community Church is vital to providing clarity and purpose to all that we do. Mission is our reason for being; it's our very soul. It gives each of us a sense of identity and purpose for all we do when we gather or scatter as a church. Most importantly, it provides language to return to—over and over—that will shape the rhythms and priorities of Trinity.

### What Is Trinity's Mission?

It is our hope, prayer, and dream that each Trinity member would live riveted to this mission in the ordinary mundane moments of their life:

*To glorify God by making and mobilizing faithful disciples of Jesus Christ.*

So what does all this mean?

### We Exist. . .

There is something that we as an official organization (a church) can and should accomplish that other individual persons or organizations (singular believer, small group bible study, seminary, christian school, or a nonprofit organization) are not called to accomplish. If Trinity Community Church didn't exist, Abington should, theoretically, be worse off because there would be fewer disciples making disciples that showcase the renewing power of the gospel to our communities.

Jesus' Great Commission (Matthew 28:18-20) is Trinity's mission. The result of Jesus' Great Commission was the inauguration of the Church (after His disciples heard these words, they went and planted churches). It follows, then, that our mission would be the same and would continue the same work by the same means: making and mobilizing disciples of Jesus Christ.

### For God's Glory. . .

God's desire is that His magnificence would cover the earth like the waters cover the sea (Habakkuk 2:14). Trinity exists for and labors toward this same end: the glory of God. God's mission is His glory—and so is Trinity's.

### To Make Disciples of Jesus. . .

Trinity exists to make and baptize new followers of Jesus (Matthew 28:19). We do this through gospel-centered worship, community, service, and church planting.

### And Mobilize Disciples of Jesus. . .

God (and Trinity) is not simply concerned that there be more disciples. He also wants better disciples. Followers who—more and more—reflect the glory, character, and holiness of Jesus. Trinity is persuaded that following Jesus is the path to true human flourishing; and so we are intent on teaching and equipping followers of Jesus to joyfully observe all that He has commanded us to do.

## CORE VALUES

### What Are Core Values?

Core Values provide us with shared language that can help ensure our Mission is carried out and our Vision is pursued.

### Why Are Core Values Important?

Core Values are important because they describe, concretely, how we operate and behave as an organization. Core Values should be passionately held and actually lived out. They are not designed to be merely aspirational or relegated to the future. They're a present, living guide for Trinity. Essentially, Trinity's Core Values are our beliefs made visible, expressed in plain and simple language.