



When they saw him, *they worshipped him*; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. *Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.*”

MATTHEW 28:17-20

Identity

Grace Lutheran Church is called to be an inviting and diverse Christian community, embracing our Lutheran tradition in ways that are faithful and innovative, that makes disciples through worship, education, and service to all creation.

Guiding Principles

- **Worship**—Grace Lutheran Church is called to be, first and foremost, engaged in Christ-centered worship. Worship is the common experience in our community that leads us toward lives of grace. Our sacramental and liturgical worship engages all of our senses and embodies the best of our tradition. We seek to bring all of these values to bear in ways that are inspired, relevant, and respect our past.
- **Evangelism**—Grace Lutheran Church is called to embody Christ-like hospitality in all that we do. We seek to always be open to the neighbor and the stranger. We are called to actively reach out to the wider community in all of its diversity with the good news of Christ, and go beyond simple greetings to make a place in our midst for all.
- **Discipleship**—Grace Lutheran Church is called to make people of all backgrounds disciples of Christ. Each individual’s faith journey is nurtured in community through spiritual formation, education, and fellowship. This pilgrimage is undertaken by disciples of all ages and stages here at Grace and shared with the wider church and world.
- **Social Ministry**—Grace Lutheran Church is called to participate in God’s life-changing work with our hands, our resources, and our voices. God’s love compels us to action that benefits people, communities, and creation from our backyard to all the world. As a congregation, we seek to engage our sisters and brothers of other faith traditions to join us in this work.