

Cross Creek Community Church 'Calling Statement'

Cross Creek Community Church is called to be a theologically progressive church where people can intentionally and continually seek new understanding of their faith. We journey together to strengthen our knowledge and faith, minister to each other, and reach beyond our local church into the community and the world with the message of Jesus. This message of love, grace, peace, justice and compassion moves us to a way of living and acting that reflects our understanding and experience of God, allowing us to work with God in the world. Our progressive theology supports the model of our faith – that God welcomes all people to God's table. If ever there was a church where you can be yourself, Cross Creek is that place. We will continue to be a beacon of hope in these difficult times.

We express this calling in the following ways:

1) Still-Speaking God

God speaks to us today in ways that are relevant to our age and time. We find more grace in the search for understanding than we do in dogmatic certainty. "No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here."

2) Extravagant Welcome

We honor the rich perspective each person brings to our community as they journey in their faith, and we adhere to the principle of radical inclusivity.

3) Affirmation of Theological Diversity

We honor the many faiths that bring us all closer to God.

4) Concern for Justice

We extend gifts of compassion, justice and peace through unselfish service, especially to the marginalized among us.

5) Commitment to Children

We journey together with the young people among us in a way that allows us all to grow in the experience, message and mission of God.

6) Relevant Worship

We strive for worship that is authentic, safe, and relevant, and that plants a seed of reflection that continues beyond the church walls into every aspect of our lives.

We hereby reaffirm our Purpose Statement and Vision Statement (both found on www.crosscreekchurch.org) as remaining the relevant expressions of our identity.

