

We want the First Presbyterian Church to be a community of disciples—led by Jesus Christ, empowered by the Holy Spirit—journeying together as we practice life in the kingdom of God. Therefore:

- 1. We place all of our church's ministries, programs, and practices under the authority and guidance of Scripture and the Presbyterian confessions.
- We create and participate in diverse expressions and seasons of corporate worship that are formative, intentional, sacramental, imaginative, and incarnational.
- 3. We create, promote, and celebrate a church culture that values a thriving, personal engagement with the beliefs and practices of Christian faith.
- 4. We help our congregation discover, cultivate, and implement their spiritual gifts in order that together we might exhibit the kingdom of God in this city and beyond.
- 5. We foster purposeful community within and across all generations.
- Creating regular opportunities for our congregation to practice joy-filled gratitude
 as we offer to God our whole selves, including our time, our talents, and our
 treasure.
- 7. We form Christ-centered, collaborative, and personal relationships with local and global mission partners especially for the sake of the hungry, the thirsty, the suffering, the naked, the displaced, the imprisoned, and the oppressed.
- 8. We continue to build a warm, welcoming, and hospitable atmosphere for all ages and abilities so that every person might encounter the radical and life-altering news of the gospel.
- 9. We construct regular occasions for the public sharing and remembrance of personal encounters with God's forgiveness, goodness, truth, and grace.
- 10. We vigorously support, encourage, and emphasize the biblical, theological, and missional formation of our children, youth, and adults.
- 11. We exhibit and celebrate a diverse set of artistic expressions both in and out of worship including music, the visual arts, dance, and drama.
- 12. We responsibly steward of the financial and facility resources entrusted to us, while remaining wholeheartedly willing to explore new, faithful, and, at times, radical approaches of Christian ministry to future generations.
- 13. We create regular opportunities to listen to and learn from brothers and sisters across the Christian tradition, and particularly across cultural divides, especially in the city of Flint.