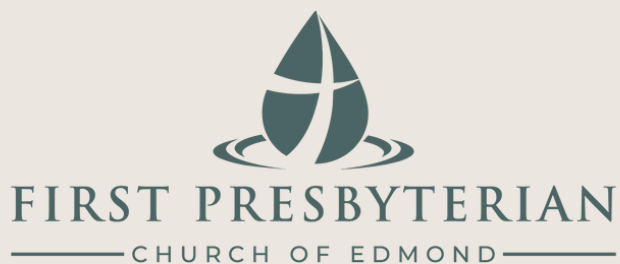


FIRST PRES COMMUNITY GUIDE

SUNDAY SCHOOL, SMALL GROUPS, AND MIDWEEK OPPORTUNITIES




FALL OF 2025



OUR VISION:

**NEW LIFE,
THROUGH JESUS,
FOR EDMOND
AND THE WORLD.**





WELCOME TO FIRST PRES.

Growing through Small Groups, Bible Studies, and Sunday School

“Until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro...”


Ephesians 4:13-14

The purpose of small groups, Bible studies, and Sunday School is to cultivate relationships that share the power of the Holy Spirit. We exist to share the power of the Holy Spirit expressed through our 7 Marks of a Disciple:

Share Your Story
Invest In Others
Read the Word
Pray Faithfully
Worship Passionately
Serve Community
Give Generously

Faith is not taught. Faith is caught. And it usually happens through relationships. That’s not to say teaching is not important. Solid teaching grounded in God’s Word is critical and you will receive great teaching at First Pres. But most Christians whose faith impacts their daily life can name at least 3 or 4 important relationships that changed their world.

In this book are opportunities to find community to grow together in Christ. We have opportunities led by amazing disciples of Jesus for kids, youth, families, couples, men, and women. If you can fog a mirror, we have something for you! We hope you will find at least one smaller community to be a part of and discover the joy of growing into the fullness of the image of Jesus.

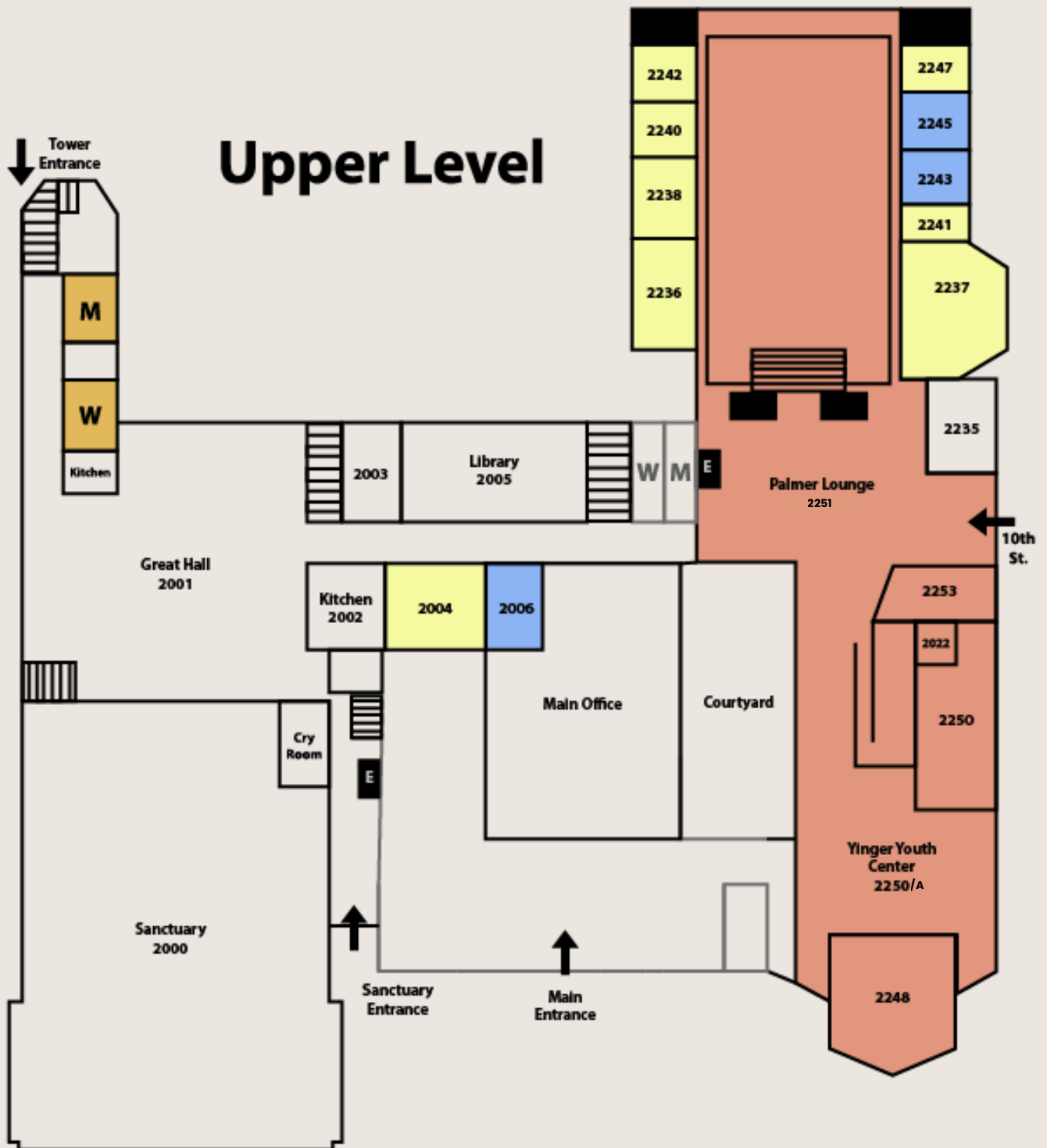


CHURCH MAP

Lower Level



Upper Level



SUNDAY SCHOOL, SMALL GROUPS & FELLOWSHIP

Doing a New Thing taught by Mark Britton

10:00am / Room 1001 / Adults

This 100+ multi-generational class is for people who want to go deeper into the Bible, learn new things, and bring the bible to life. They are serious about learning but have fun and lots of great discussion. They are studying the book of Luke.

Contact: Mark Britton (mbritton12457@gmail.com)

The place for 30s and 40s, taught by Andrew & Cyone Harris

10:00am / Room 1040 / Younger Adults

A weekly Bible study for adults in their 30s and 40s, focused on group discussion, deepening biblical understanding, and building a caring, prayerful community.

Contact: Andrew Harris (harris11zero@gmail.com)

Table Talk: Reasoning Together From the Scriptures led by Dave Martin

10:00am / Room 1057 / Adults

This small group of adults studies scripture together. They are currently studying the book of Ephesians.

Contact: Dave Martin (dmartin281@gmail.com)

Faith 2:42 led by Kari & Mark Galliart, Susan & Mark Gamber

10:00am / Room 1051 / Adults + Multi-Generational

Based on Acts 2:42, this small group of adults strives for sanctification through the study of scripture, fellowship and prayer.

Contact: Kari Galliart (Karigalliart@cox.net)

Bible Study Group led by Steve Kinney & Mark Tippin

10:00am / Room 1036 / Adults

This small group of believers dives into scripture each week.

Contact: Robin Tippin paristeach@aol.com or susank@vrgi.com

Jesus in Media: The Chosen Series, led by Carol Hartzog

10:00am / Room 1039 / Adults

This small group of believers sees scripture come to life by integrating discussion questions with "The Chosen" Season 5 video segments. No prior viewing experience with the online series is necessary. This class partners with "The Knights" Bible study group to serve our community.

Contact: Carol Hartzog (camhartzog@gmail.com)



God's Favorite House taught by Lee Schmidt

10:00am / Room 1041 / Adults

What makes a house of worship God's favorite? In God's Favorite House, Tommy Tenney explores why God chose David's tent, inviting us to reflect on what draws Him most—intimate, heartfelt worship. Join this small group as they study the book together, with class members sharing insights from each chapter.

Contact: Lee Schmidt (herbleeschmidt@sbcglobal.net)

Christ-Centered Parenting: What do I say when? taught by Thomas & Laura Webber

10:00am / Room 2243 / Younger Parents: Married & Single

Raising kids in today's culture can be challenging. Raising them to follow Christ is even harder. But you're not alone! Join this small group of parents as they ask, "What do I say when...?" and serve community and socialize!

Contact: Laura Webber (lmwebber@outlook.com)

Walking in the Word, taught by Tim & Ruthie Hast

10:00am / Room 1049 / Adults

This small group of adults meets to read and reflect on scripture.

Contact: Tim Hast (coach@att.net)

Emerging Generations (18-30): Finding Our Place Led by Jim Hartzog

10:00am / Room 2006 / Young Adults

This class, designed for those in the 18 to 30ish age group, will dig into God's calling and purpose for our lives, including our: Interests, Likes and God-given Gifts, Spiritual Calling, Education Alternatives, Career Choices, Relationship and Family Decisions and Leadership Capabilities

Contact: Jim Hartzog (jthartzog@aol.com)



1 Thessalonians 5:11

Therefore encourage one another
and build one another up, just as you are doing.



SUNDAYS FOR KIDS: LEARNING & GROWING

KIDS MINISTRY

Kids dive into Bible stories through interactive lessons, crafts, and activities that help them grow in their knowledge of God and His love. We have a team of Sunday School teachers that are passionate about teaching the stories of the Bible and getting to know your child in their small group time.

- Sunday, 10-11 am
- 3 years old to 4th grade meet in Miracle Movies at 10am (the room above the gym #2237) and then move to the following rooms for parent pick up at 11am:
 - o 3 years-Kindergarten: parents pick up in room #: 2238
 - o 1st & 2nd grade: parents pick up in room #: 2242
 - o 3rd & 4th grade: parents pick up in room #: 2240

STUDIO 56

Room #2236

This class is especially designed for the 5th and 6th grade age. They are diving deep into scripture, asking hard questions, and enjoying faith and friendship building games. Our dedicated teachers are passionate about getting to know what makes your kid special and helping them grow in their faith.

- Contact Jamie Mullings (JMullings@fpcedmond.org) for questions or to be added to the kids' ministry newsletter.
- Check the church website for special events. fpcedmond.org/events

NURSERY

Room #2004

- Open for birth-kindergarten from 8:45am-12:30pm on Sunday.
- We welcome kids 3 years old-Kindergarten to attend Sunday school from 10-11am
- Contact Jamie Mullings (JMullings@fpcedmond.org) for questions or to be added to the kids' ministry newsletter



SUNDAY MORNING FOR YOUTH



STUDENT MINISTRY

Students meet to study scripture, forge Godly friendships, pray for each other and serve together. We have a great team of Sunday School teachers that are passionate about teaching and getting to know the students.

7th Grade

- Sunday 10-11am
- Room 2249 in the Yinger Youth Center
- No registration necessary



High School

- Sunday 10-11am
- Palmer Lounge/room 2251
- No registration necessary



8th & 9th Grade Confirmation Class

- Sunday 10-11am
- Fishbowl classroom/#2248 in the Yinger Youth Center
- Confirmation Class is offered every other year for 8th & 9th graders.

This class is designed to equip students with the skills and resources necessary to continue their faith walk in a deep and meaningful way even after the conclusion of the class. The class lasts all school year and will take a deeper look into the books of the Bible, key themes from the old and new testaments, the local church, the global church and much more!



- Students will have an opportunity to confirm their baptism, be baptized, and/or join the church in the spring if they and their parents desire.
- Older students who have not taken the class before are welcome to join as well



WEEKDAY GROUPS FOR ADULTS

Tuesdays @ 2 at Ken Rees' Home

2:00pm | Ken Rees' Home | Adults

This small group of men and women meets for fellowship, prayer support and Bible study using the sermon study guide.

Contact: Ken Rees (kenrrees@gmail.com)

First Aid for Parents – Led by Sheryl Kline

*This is an 11 week study beginning Tuesday, Sept. 9th
6:30pm to 8:30 | Room 1040 | Adults*

When someone you love struggles with same sex attraction or gender dysphoria, or identifies as LGBTQ+, it's hard to know how to respond in a God honoring manner. This semester we will be providing a Bible study specifically for parents, grandparents, and friends who want to love like Jesus in these painful circumstances. This a safe and confidential space.

Contact: Sheryl Kline (profkline@yahoo.com)

The Knights Small Group led by Kari Galliard

Tuesdays at 6:30pm | Room 1051 | Adults

This group of men and women strives for sanctification through the truth of God's word. They are learning how to put on the armor of God by studying the word, praying and serving together.

Contact: Kari Galliard (karigalliard@cox.net)

Pray for Our Church

Various Times | Chapel | All Are Welcome

Join our Prayer Team as we come together weekly to pray for our church and our community. 1st Tuesdays at 5:30pm, 1st Wednesdays at 11:30am, 2nd Fridays at 8:30am, 3rd Wednesdays at 12:00pm, 4th Friday at 8:15am

Contact: prayer@fpcedmond.org





The Gospel isn't a formula you apply to your life; it's the Story you're meant to inhabit.

COLSON FELLOWS PROGRAM

The Colson Fellows Program is a structured, nine-month discipleship and worldview training course designed to equip Christians with a deeper understanding of the Gospel and its application in contemporary culture. Through curated readings, monthly webinars, cohort discussions, and a personal mission plan, participants are “commissioned” to live and speak faithfully about contemporary social issues from a biblical worldview. This class is for students who are 21 and older.

- Saturdays from 9am–12pm beginning 8/16. The current class is full. Contact Greg to get information about a future class or to learn more about the resources this ministry offers.
- Contact: Greg Roberts gregory.d.roberts@icloud.com



WEDNESDAY NIGHT OFFERINGS

The Gathering Meal – Catered by Jean Carroll

5:15pm | Great Hall | Begins Aug. 27th

Enjoy a yummy meal and fellowship before you head to a small group in the Great Hall during the school year (no meal on October 15th). The last meal for the fall is November 19th. There is not a meal in the summer. \$7/meal or a family for \$28 Please email Jean Carroll (jcarroll@fpcedmond.org) to make reservations by Sunday of each week.



The Life and Thoughts of CS Lewis – Taught by Pastor Eric Laverentz

6:00pm | Room 1001 | Begins Sept. 3rd | Ends Mid-November

Join Pastor Eric Laverentz this fall for “The Life and Thought of CS Lewis,” exploring the writings and biography of one of the 20th century’s most influential Christian thinkers. We’ll read and discuss selections from classics like Mere Christianity, The Screwtape Letters, and The Great Divorce, while learning how Lewis overcame pain and atheism to become a leading Christian apologist. No cost, but participants are encouraged to purchase The CS Lewis Signature Classics (available on Amazon).

Christian book discussion led by Dena Jones

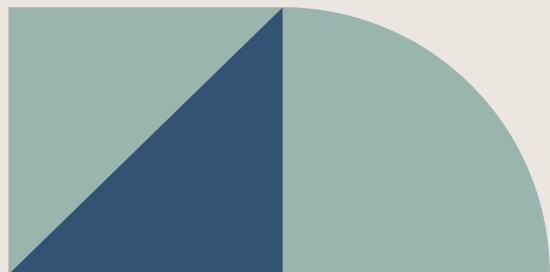
6:00pm | Room 1049 | Women

Join this small group of women who read a Christian-based book and discuss a chapter each week.

Wednesday Night Small Group led by Thomas & Laura Webber

6:15pm | Room 1051 | Adults, multi-generational

Join us as we delve deeper into Pastor Eric’s sermon series using the sermon study notes. Contact Thomas or Laura Webber lmwebber@outlook.com





WEDNESDAYS IN WORSHIP

Worship Choir

6:30pm / Worship Arts Center

This group of men and women join weekly to practice choral pieces for our traditional worship service. All are welcome!

Contact: Tracey Gregg-Boothby (tgreggboothby@fpcedmond.org)

Worship Bell Choir

7:15pm / Bell Room-1042 / Adults

This group of men and women practice handbell pieces for our worship services and special events.

Contact: Tracey Gregg-Boothby (tgreggboothby@fpcedmond.org)

Modern Worship

7:00pm / Sanctuary

We'd love for you to be part of our modern worship team! Whether you sing, play an instrument, or enjoy working behind the scenes with sound and media, there's a place for you to use your gifts.

Contact: Erick Alexander (ealexander@fpcedmond)



WEDNESDAY NIGHTS WITH YOUTH

Nursery (Birth to Two Years)

Available from 5:45pm-7:30pm by request for Wednesday night classes with one week's notice.

Contact: Jamie Mullings (JMullings@fpcedmond.org)

Rise Kids + Kidz Praise

6:00pm / Room 2237 / 1st - 4th grade

Children enjoy high-energy games, fellowship, worship, and Bible teaching designed to help them apply God's Word to their everyday lives in fun and memorable ways. KidzPraise is a small group of kids who meet during the school year to learn more about Jesus through music which they perform in worship periodically.

Contact: Jamie Mullings (JMullings@fpcedmond.org)

Studio 56

6:00pm / Room 2236 / 5th & 6th grade

This class is especially designed for the 5th and 6th grade age. They are diving deep into scripture, asking hard questions, and enjoying faith and friendship building games. Our dedicated teachers are passionate about getting to know what makes your kid special and helping them grow in their faith.

Student Ministry - LIFT

6:00pm / Yinger Youth Center (2250A) / 7th - 12th Grade

This group of students meets for worship, bible study and small group discussion. We have great small group leaders that are interested in getting to know each student. Godly friendships are forged, scripture is preached, and faith is deepened.

Contact: Audrey Self (aself@fpcedmond.org)

*Check the church website for Kids and Student events at www.fpcedmond.org/events





EMERGING GENERATIONS

Caffeine Vibes, coordinated by Jim Hartzog

7:30pm | First Pres Coffee Shop (New Lobby)

Caffeine Vibes is a live-music coffeehouse event designed for college and young adults, ages 18 to 30. Attendees are invited to enjoy delicious coffee and desserts while listening to live music.

- The 2nd Friday of every month (with some exceptions)
- 7:30pm to 10pm Check out the events page to verify dates: fpcedmond.org/events
- Emerging Generation (18 to 30 years old)
- Contact: Jim Hartzog (jthartzog@aol.com)



WOMEN'S GROUPS

Healing Hands knitting & crocheting Small Group

Mondays at 1:00pm / Room 1049 / Women

This small group of women share the love of Jesus by creating hand-made (knit & crochet) shawls, lap blankets, hats, gloves, scarves and baby items that are shared with those in need. They can teach you to knit! Contact: Lynn Walker (lenniwalker44@gmail.com)



Ladies' Renewal Group

Second Monday of Every Month

5:30pm / Room 1040 / Women

This small group of women inspire each other to be more like Jesus by sharing with each other what they are studying, how they are serving, and how God is at work in their lives. Contact: Kay Denny (k-denny@att.net)

Women's bible study led by Women's Ministry Leaders

- *Wednesday, September 24th–November 12th, 9:15–11:30 – Room 1001*
- *OR Saturday, September 27th–November 15th, 8:30–10:30 – Room 1001*

Women's bible study led by Women's Ministry Leaders

This group of women study God's word together in both large and small groups. In this 7-session video-based study, Jennifer Rothschild explores the subject of Heaven from a biblical perspective. She will separate what's true about Heaven from what's based on legend, media depictions, and hopeful guesses. As you walk through the study, you'll not only gain a deeper understanding of what God has prepared for His children, but also learn how to live with confidence today as you look forward to the glorious unending that awaits. Don't just wonder about Heaven—embrace it with a faith that turns anticipation into excitement and peace.

- Contact: Amy Schulke (ajschulke@gmail.com)
- Childcare is available upon request to Jamie Mullings (jmullings@fpcedmond.org) (with one week's prior notice)

Friday Morning Women's Group, led by church leaders

7:00am / Room 1049 / Women

This small group of women meet to pray and discuss the sermons each week. Contact: Kay Denny (k-denny@att.net)

Single Sisters' Social group

3rd Tuesday every month

11:30am / The Lookout Restaurant at Kickingbird Golf Club / Women

This small group of women meet for food and fellowship every month. Contact: Malissa Attebery (@attemusic@cox.net)

WOMEN'S SMALL GROUPS CONTINUED

Women's Evening Circle, led by women leaders

4th Thursday of every month, 6:30pm

6:30 | 1051 | Women

This group of women read and discuss Christian books.

Project Night

Once/month: September 18; October 30; November 20; December 18.

6:30-8:30pm | Front lobby | Women

This group of women meets to work on small projects together. Bring your photo scrapbook or a tabletop project (nothing messy) to work on and enjoy fellowship while you work! Work out the world's problems, forge Godly friendships, and complete a project all at once! What's not to love?

Contact: Kari Galliart (Karigalliart@cox.net)

MEN'S SMALL GROUPS

Friday Morning Men's Group, led by church leaders

Fridays at 7:00am | Room 1001 | Men

This group of men meets for worship, food, fellowship, and a speaker.

Contact: Barry Davis (davislawok@gmail.com)

Men's AA Group, led by Gary Underwood

Saturdays at 8:00am | Room 2250

Contact: Gary Underwood (garyu52@gmail.com)





DO YOU FEEL CALLED?

If you feel called to establish or lead a Christian Education Class, or a fellowship/interest group, please contact Greg Roberts, the leader of our Vision Team at:

Smallgroups@fpcedmond.org

He will give you more information about FPCE's process. He can also help you find resources if you are currently leading a small group.

Are you interested in starting or joining a small group?
If you are interested in starting or joining a small group, please complete the form found at
fpcedmond.org/adults



DID YOU KNOW?

Our church library offers a wide range of print and digital resources to support every ministry, deepen discipleship, and provide a Christian perspective on life's challenges—such as marriage, parenting, divorce, loss, and suffering. You'll also find materials to nurture children's faith, assist with research, and inspire through Christian fiction and biographies. The library is also a great space to meet with your small groups!



**Encourage one another and build each other up.
-1 THESSALONIANS 5:11**

KOINONIA

Koinonia: a Greek word that loosely means fellowship. A better definition is a "shared life." The Christian understanding of koinonia means a shared life in God—people who participate in life with the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit gives us koinonia with God and others, fulfilling the two Great Commandments to love the Lord God with all our heart, mind and strength and our neighbor as ourselves.



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