



OUR VISION, OUR VALUES and BEING TOGETHER

OUR VISION

We are Anglican communities of God's people embracing the Spirit of Christ in our time. We are compassionate signs and channels of God's reconciling transforming mission in the world.

Our Vision Statement : Transforming lives through Jesus Christ

OUR VALUES

Christ-likeness

- God's grace revealed in Jesus Christ shapes and moulds our lives

Discernment

- We continually seek to discern God's revealing to be faithful in who we are and what we do.

Openness

- We are open to change and to the development of innovative and responsive models of mission and ministry for our contemporary Australian context.

Collaboration

- We work in collaborative partnerships with others to achieve our goals.

Distinctiveness

- We honour the rich diversity of our Anglican heritage and culture.

Accountability

- We practice responsible and transparent stewardship of all that is entrusted to our care.

Mission Statement

Sharing the good news of Jesus Christ, making disciples and growing faith communities.
From Restructuring for Mission and Ministry: Daring to Live into God's Future for Us

BEING TOGETHER

Expectations of behaviour in our church community

▪ Jesus told us to love one another as he loves us. As Christians we know our life together is strengthened when our behaviour is consistent with our faith. However, our experience of being together can be difficult, particularly when there are differences. So it is important to be clear about how we will behave towards each other.

Being a community:

- We will value the wellbeing of others.
- We will encourage each other to participate in the life of the church.
- We will consider the impact of our behaviour on others.

Relating to each other:

- We will treat each other with respect and dignity, irrespective of ability, gender, sexuality, race, age or contribution to the church.
- We will act with integrity and honesty in our interactions with each other.

Communicating with each other:

- We will communicate respectfully with others, and not in a way that threatens, belittles or humiliates.
- We will speak with integrity and honesty, and refrain from speculation and gossip.

Acknowledging difference:

- We will respect those who are different from us and not isolate or ridicule them.
- We will listen to and seek to understand the beliefs, opinions and practices of others, even when we do not share their views.

Responding to conflict:

- We will accept responsibility for our part in a conflict.
- We will be willing to play our part in resolving a conflict.

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