



Love, Live, and Serve like Jesus

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For the past four decades, Friendship Baptist Church of Prior Lake, Minnesota has been a voice of the Gospel of Jesus Christ in Scott County, Minnesota. We are a self-governed body of believers and a part of the Converge Worldwide movement of churches. Locally, we reach people in Scott County and parts of Dakota, Hennepin and Carver Counties, and across the globe, we support missionaries and missionary organizations in five continents.

“Friendship” is a distinct part of our heritage that goes back to the friendship of four founding members of Friendship Church 40 years ago. Friendship Church encourages intergenerational/family worship as a lifestyle. Today, the face and heart of our church body reflects the same warmth and hospitality that it has since its inception.

We are one church with two campuses that together, ministers to approximately 800 guests each week. Our locations in Prior Lake and Shakopee both offer live teaching and teaching that is uncompromising in presenting the Word of God. We believe in reaching, equipping and multiplying for the Kingdom of God. We focus on discipleship, and our mission statement - Love, Live and Serve like Jesus - is integral to every aspect of our ministry. That is best expressed by the following:

LOVING GOD

- **By meeting with Him in relentless prayer, Bible study and memorization.**
Ephesians 6:18-20; 2 Timothy 2:15; Psalm 119:11
- **By gathering to exalt Him in weekly worship services.**
1 Corinthians 10:31; Romans 12:1-2; Hebrews 10:25
- **By giving generously of our time and resources.**
Genesis 22:1-8; Exodus 21:1-6; Mark 8:34

LIVING IN COMMUNITY

- **That meets in LifeGroups dedicated to Bible, prayer and care.**
Mark 9:1-8; Acts 2:42-47; Romans 16:1-5
- **That is encouraging, accountable and loves our neighbor.**
2 Timothy 3:16; Galatians 2:11-21; 2 Samuel 12:1-13
- **That is seeking to multiply disciples and LifeGroups.**
Mark 3:13-16; John 21:15-18; Acts 13:1-4

SERVING OUR WORLD

- **Through using the gifts God has given to us.**
1 Peter 4:10-11; 1 Corinthians 12:7; Romans 12:6-8
- **Through actively sharing the message of hope in Jesus.**
Matthew 9:35-38; Acts 1:8; Romans 10:8-17
- **Through engaging as a partner in missions.**
Luke 10:1-7; Philippians 1:3-6; 2 Corinthians 9:1-2

WHAT WE VALUE

- **...loving God and people.** *Deuteronomy 6:4-9; Matthew 22:37-40; James 1:26-27*
- **...living biblical truth.** *Matthew 7: 24-29; John 8:31-32; James 1:22-27*
- **...a missional lifestyle.** *Genesis 12:1-3; Acts 1:8; Philippians 1:3-6*
- **...relentless prayer.** *Matthew 21:13; Acts 2:42; Ephesians 6:18-20*
- **...building families.** *Deuteronomy 6:1-9; Ephesians 5:22-6:4; Acts 16:29-34*
- **...peacemaking.** *Isaiah 9:6; Matthew 5:9; 18:15-35; Galatians 6:1-4*
- **...team ministry.** *Ecclesiastes 4:9-12; Mark 3:13-19; Romans 12:4-8*

Friendship's team leadership value is manifested in the way we lead and govern ministry and church matters:

An **Elder Board**, dominated by lay leaders, oversees adherence to our Statement of Faith and the spiritual health of the Body of Christ at Friendship Church. The two Lead Pastors of the separate campuses are also members of the Elder Board.

A **Trustee Board** of seven lay leaders oversees the assets and operations of the church as fiduciaries.

A **Leadership Team** oversees the daily ministry and operation of the church and is comprised of the Pastors of the two campuses and an Executive Director.