

# LCOC PURPOSE (MISSION) STATEMENT

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Purpose Statement:

**LCOC is a church committed to spreading hope, renewing purpose, and engaging our community.**

Expansion of Our Purpose Statement:

## Spreading Hope

We, individually and collectively, have received the hope of new life with our Savior, Jesus Christ through His death, burial and resurrection (1 Corinthians 15:1-4). We are image bearers of Christ (Genesis 1:27) and messengers of hope (Colossians 1:27; 1 Timothy 4:10; 1 Peter 3:15). This hope is demonstrated and proclaimed out of a love for God and the world around us in both our individual and collective actions and speech (Matthew 22:37-39).

## Renewing Purpose

As Christians, our lives have found new direction and purpose in Jesus Christ (John 10:10). We are Christians committed to seek after God and follow His instructions (Matthew 6:33); to live a life acceptable to God (Romans 12:1-2); proclaim the hope found in Jesus' death, burial and resurrection (Matthew 28:18-20); and equip each Christian for local and global missional leadership (Ephesians 4:11-15).

## Engaging Community

We are individuals who belong to the greater community of Jesus Christ (1 John 1:7) and invite others into that community (1 Timothy 2:3-4). We exist as a place for all who seek for or desire to follow Jesus to belong. We regularly gather together to share in worship, study, prayer, camaraderie, and friendship (Acts 2:44-47; Hebrews 10:23-25). Furthermore, as individuals and a collective Church, we intentionally seek opportunities to be engaged in our surrounding community and to be a transforming part of that community (1 Corinthians 9:19-23).