



STRATEGIC PLAN

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MOUNT ALBERT METHODIST CHURCH

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Our Mission

We are called to...

Welcome *diversity*
nurture *community*, and
develop *faith into action*.

Te manaaki i te kanorau,
te manaaki i te hāpori, me
te whakahanake i te Whakapono ki te mahi.



Our Vision

We will do this by being...

A welcoming *faith community*
which reflects *love* and,
Connects with *God through Jesus Christ*



Our Values

WE WELCOME AND VALUE EVERYONE

I was hungry and you gave me food to eat. I was thirsty and you gave me a drink. I was a stranger and you welcomed me.

Matthew 25:35 CEB

WE FELLOWSHIP WITH EACH OTHER

A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another.

John 13:34 NIV





WE INVEST IN THE LIVES OF OTHERS

Therefore encourage one another and build each other up.

1 Thessalonians 5:11 NIV

WE WORSHIP CREATIVELY TOGETHER

Come, let us bow down and worship him; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

Psalms 95:6 GNT



WE NURTURE OUR PRAYER LIFE

Rejoice always, pray continually, and give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 NIV

WE BREAK BREAD AND SHARE FOOD TOGETHER

Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality.

Romans 12:13 NIV



WE WORK IN COLLABORATIVE PARTNERSHIPS

Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ.

1 Corinthians 12:12 NIV



WE TAKE CARE OF OUR GIFTS

You have been faithful in a few things. I will put you in charge of many things.

Matthew 14:23 NIV



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WE ARE FUTURE READY

“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.”

Jeremiah 29:11 NIV



Goals

FAITH FOCUSED

- We nurture our prayer life
- We worship creatively together
- We offer faith explorations for children, young people, families, and adults, new and old - discipleship
- We recognize the gifts in each of us
- We are open to the Spirit

CONNECTIONS

- We are the Methodist Church of New Zealand, Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa.
- We welcome and value everyone
- We respect and value diversity
- We connect in small and large groups
- We break bread and share food together
- We improve our communications – internal and external

PARTNERSHIPS

- We work collaboratively with our partners
- We look for ways to be a better Treaty partner in a multicultural society
- We commit to further social justice
- We support all our communities
- We support Christian World Service, Lifewise, BAMA, and the Community Club

FUTURE READY

- We invest in the lives of others
- We take care of our gifts
- We take care of our buildings
- We embrace new means of technology



Actions

FAITH FOCUSED

- Commit to being an intergenerational church
- Prioritise prayer and study
- Nurture baptism, confirmation, and discipleship
- Share creative contributions
- Grow our music ministry
- Regular reflection on worship
- Encourage outreach ministry

CONNECTIONS

- Enable engagement by all people
- Encourage small and large groups
- Nurture pastoral care
- Provide support for all people
- Create environments for people to volunteer
- Encourage sharing of our stories
- Promote robust governance and organisational systems
- Communicate meeting decisions

PARTNERSHIPS

- Develop our bicultural commitment
- Connect with the local community organisations and agencies
- Encourage ecumenism
- Work with the Methodist Alliance and develop our foodbank
- Identify and encourage special outreach projects
- Develop partnerships with other Methodist parishes

FUTURE READY

- Enable new and creative approaches
- Being open to change and then change together
- Nurture emergent leadership and encourage sharing of skills and gifts
- Regular review of our systems to be effective
- Stewardship – Maintain and develop all of our gifts
- Review and utilise how we use technology in all areas
- Maintain and develop our online presence
- Maintain & develop our buildings
- Responsibility and stewardship of our planet - *Kaitiakitanga*

Signposts of Success

We will know we are succeeding when...

- All church members are responsible for the Strategic Plan and its actions.
- We welcome new members and maintain our current members - growing new disciples
- Our members step up and into leadership to continue growth of the church - developing disciples and encouraging change
- Our church has impact in the local community - discipleship in our community
- Our church enjoys effective and positive partnerships - discipleship in the world
- Regular reviews of ministry to encourage strengths and challenges are addressed



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