

Girdwood Chapel's Vision Statement

At Girdwood Chapel, we envision a community of grace where every person belongs.

Rooted in Christ and grounded in prayer, we embody dignity and neighborliness through listening, service, hospitality, and shared life.

We gather around real bread and real stories, uniting across differences in worship, study, and daily living.

Together, we lift one another in joy and in grief, cultivating hope when the world feels unhopeful.

Our vision is to be a heartbeat of Girdwood connected in love and committed to Christ, with faith that makes room for grace and honors differences.

Girdwood Chapel's "Simplified" Vision Statement

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Our Mission (on the website): Do we want to update it or not?

When Jesus was asked what is the greatest commandment, he replied:

“You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your being, and with all your mind. And the second is like it: You must love your neighbor as you love yourself.” Matthew 22:33-39

The mission statement of Girdwood Chapel originates from these words: *“Love God. Love Others. Change the World.”* This mission motivates and guides us. It remains at the forefront of our small groups and worship gatherings, our planning and decision making, and most importantly, in how we reach out to love and serve our community.

As a congregation, we have work together in service to our community, often partnering with other local organizations and more individuals than we can count. Our Food Pantry in 2020 went from serving about 40 people per month (and open once a month), to serving on average about 400 people per month over six service days, plus weekly work days for our dedicated team of volunteers. This ministry both feeds and connects folks to other programs and services, and relies on the incredibly generous support of local businesses and individuals.

Additionally, we are the home of Girdwood’s Community Garden, where families and individuals can seasonally rent a 4’x8’ plot to grow food or flowers and learn from other local gardeners. If you are interested, please contact us. Plots are rented out usually in March.

If you do not yet have a church home, we hope that you will find it here with us here at Girdwood Chapel!