



Values for the 2nd Street Commons

So many of these values are things we see lacking in the world around us. Often we experience isolation, superficiality, dishonesty, indifference and selfishness. At the 2nd Street Commons we believe a better world can exist- a world more like the Kingdom of God- and we embrace the following values as we seek to inhabit that kind of world:

RESPECT

Everyone is worthy of respect because each person is a human being. Offering respect to others enables us to better see their inherent value. We treat others the way we want to be treated.

HONESTY

Everyone deserves to hear the truth delivered with respect. Being honest with ourselves is the first step to authentic connection with others. Honesty builds trust.

KINDNESS

Kindness is a gift that we get to give in a rough, harsh, isolating world. We choose gentleness and care with each other.

FORGIVENESS

Forgiving others and ourselves for mistakes is liberating and life-giving. When we forgive we open ourselves up to deep relationship.

PEACE

God desires that we live in peace with everyone. Peace is central to building community.

HOPE

Dreaming about how awesome things could be inspires our actions. We always choose to look toward a better future. We begin to create a better future by envisioning it together.

HELPFULNESS

Everyone is invited to experience life through serving others.



OPENNESS

Being transparent invites others to do the same. Only through vulnerability can we truly see and be seen by others.

PRAYER

Prayer is the most powerful thing one can do on this earth. God hears our prayers.

REVERENCE

Honoring God is the most appropriate response for the gift of life.

PLAYFULNESS

Human beings are wired for fun and laughter. It is a relief to not take ourselves so seriously all the time; no greater gift than levity.

PATIENCE

Patience inspires self-control. Offering everyone an opportunity to take the time they need is an incredible gift.

LOVE

The greatest expression of love happens when we lay our lives down for each other. Love is the best antidote to fear. When it comes down to it, it really is all you need.

JOY

Joy is a state of being in the world that results from gratitude.

THANKFULNESS

Allows us to see things in a whole new way.

GOODNESS

We are all children of God and share in His goodness.

FAITHFULNESS

By grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not our own doing; it is the gift of God.

SELF-CONTROL

Engaging in the gift of self-control allows God's nature to flow through us and inform our decisions and actions. It helps us to sublimate our human nature and its reactions and choose a higher path.