

Lutheran Church of the Resurrection 2026 Vision & Strategic Plan Synopsis

VISION STATEMENT

Together walking in the ways of Jesus, we strive to create a place of belonging and purpose by building authentic connection, living faith boldly, and loving our community deeply.

We imagine Lutheran Church of the Resurrection as a place that feels like home from the moment you arrive. A community where people of all ages and backgrounds are known, welcomed, and invited into meaningful connection. Worship is engaging and grounded in real life, faith is lived out beyond Sunday mornings, and participation flows naturally as people discover their gifts and step into shared life together. This is a church where belonging is practiced, curiosity is welcomed, and relationships are at the heart of everything we do.

In this vision, our impact extends well beyond our walls. Our campus serves as a gathering place for the wider community, our partnerships reflect deep care for neighbors near and far, and our spiritual life is marked by creativity, depth, and joy. Leadership is shared and supported, generosity is fueled by gratitude and trust, and stewardship is aligned with purpose and sustainability. Together, walking in the ways of Jesus, we are becoming a community that lives faith boldly, loves deeply, and makes a lasting difference — not by being bigger, but by being fully alive together.

LCR's Strategic Plan is built around four foundational themes



Energizing Participation

Evolving from attendance to engagement, to help one another discover the joy of being fully involved in a community that matters



Community Engagement

Creating welcoming spaces for connection, we can become what our neighbors most need: a hub of compassion, belonging, and hope



Spiritual Deepening

Encouraging and facilitating worship, study, prayer, and creative spiritual practice, we want to nurture hearts that are awake, grateful, and alive to God's presence in all things



Sustainable Stewardship

With courage and collaboration, we will build a church that is financially strong, environmentally conscious, and spiritually alive for generations to come

Strategic Plan Outline

THEME GOAL

ENERGIZE PARTICIPATION

1. Deepen Connection and Belonging
2. Strengthen Communication & Connection
3. Creating Pathways to Engagement
4. Equipping Leaders and Enhancing Leadership Opportunities

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

1. Create a Gathering Place for Community
2. Establish a Storytelling Event Series
3. Renew and Expand Global Mission Partnerships

SPIRITUAL DEEPENING

1. Integrate Contemplative and Creative Practices
2. Expand Pathways for Faith Formation Across Generations

SUSTAINABLE STEWARDSHIP

1. Strengthen Financial Resilience and Generosity
2. Steward Our Campus and Property as a Community Resource
3. Invest in Leadership, Staff, and Volunteer Vitality

Reflection Questions:

What works?

What doesn't work?

What additions would improve it?

What excites you to get involved in