

## **Mission and Vision Statement Approved by GSLC Council November 20, 2006**

### **Mission**

Believe – in Christ, “Love God first”

Belong – to Christ’s family, “Develop individual ministries”

Serve – as Christ’s family, “Be Christ to our neighbors”

### **Vision**

To Believe: For the glory of God, everyone is actively involved in faith formation, deepening our relationship with God by:

- Forming our faith through worship
- Expanding Christian education and faith development
- Increasing our understanding of our faith as Lutherans
- Encouraging lay participation

To Belong: For the well-being of the church, every member is actively involved in connectedness, deepening our relationship with each other by:

- Developing and nurturing our faith community
- Growing and supporting our youth and children’s ministries
- Ensuring open and on-going communication among staff, ministry leadership and members
- Building a strong organizational foundation and infrastructure

To Serve: For the health of the world, everyone is actively involved servanthood, deepening our relationships with the community and the world by:

- Creating a culture of giving
- Discerning and sharing our gifts and resources
- Providing service to one another
- Expanding our mission ministries