



**PURPOSE OF THE
CHURCH**
(from assorted sources)

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“We proclaim Jesus Christ and promote communities of joy, hope, love, and peace.” Source: Church Mission

“The **purpose** and mission **of the church** is to **proclaim Jesus Christ** and promote communities of joy, hope, love, and

peace. The church envisions a time when the promise of God's kingdom shall be fulfilled. **We have a vision of that kingdom where the name of Jesus Christ is truly honored,** where God's will is done on earth, where the hungry are fed, poverty is alleviated, sinners are repentant, and sin is forgiven...

... We believe that love is the proper foundation of our relationship with others, that opportunity to grow in the likeness of Christ should be fostered, and that the resources of the world can be managed to respect and preserve their creation and purpose. We have a vision of a time when all evil is overcome and peace prevails...

...**We will be** an international community of prophetic vision, **faithful to the risen Christ**, empowered by hope, spending ourselves courageously in the pursuit of peace and justice.” Source: Church Bylaws, Article II “Purpose”

“We offer a community of people where the gospel of Jesus Christ is the focus of

worship, learning, caring, and mission”
Source: Basic Beliefs (“We offer”)

“The Good News of Jesus Christ is at the center of the faith and beliefs of Community of Christ. We are a worldwide community and are committed to follow Jesus, bring forth the kingdom of God, and seek together the revealing, renewing presence of the

Holy Spirit.” Source: Basic Beliefs
 (“Preface”)

“**Being a Christian** is more than holding a list of right ideas; it **is about radical obedience to Jesus in every part of life**...Jesus calls us to follow him and to invite others to experience the transforming power of his grace”

Source: Basic Beliefs (“Discipleship”)

“God’s revelation in **Jesus Christ** and continuing presence through the Holy Spirit, as proclaimed by scripture, **is the foundation of our faith, identity, mission, message, and beliefs.**” Source: Enduring Principles (“The Foundation”)

“We are called to create communities of Christ’s peace in our families and

congregations and across villages, tribes, nations, and throughout creation.”

Source: Enduring Principles (*Blessings of Community*)

“We are poised to share the peace of Jesus Christ with those who are waiting to hear the redeeming words of the gospel. **We fulfill God’s ultimate vision as we Baptize/Confirm Many**

New Members, Open New
Congregations, Launch the Church in
New Nations” Source: Mission
Initiatives (“Invite People to Christ”)

“Heed the urgent call to become a global
family united in the name of the Christ”
Source: -Doctrine and Covenants
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