

# Our Manifesto

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## THE CULTURE

shifting                      diverse                      post-Christian                      mobile  
connected                      disconnected                      broken

## THE GOSPEL

unchanging                      holistic                      powerful                      relevant  
redemptive                      restorative                      incarnate

## THE DEMAND

*A radical embrace of biblical - theological orthodoxy.*

*Initiatives and efforts that serve the rooting and deepening of mature, worshipping, sacramental Christian communities.*

*A compelling praxis comprised of both the proclamation and demonstration of the gospel through the resident power of the Holy Spirit.*

*An uncompromising resolve towards fruitfulness over specific models by measuring the Kingdom of God and not our own consumer-driven empires.*

*A high level of participation and integration into Christian community of non-churched people (not only the de-churched), through the redemptive engagement of the church within its' immediate, surrounding context.*

*The persistent reproduction of followers of Jesus Christ and Christian communities which are continually given away for broader impact.*

*A submission of one to another in fiercely accountable, supportive relationships, believing we can do more together than we can apart.*

*Therefore being convinced of these things we throw down our lives, our fears, our pride, and our comforts and give ourselves with abandon, to this work of Jesus so that the risen Christ would rise within us and bring light to our darkened world.*