



DCC 5-Year Plan 2025-2030

WHO WE ARE

Disciples Christian Church–Bartlesville has three core values. They are:

- Welcome (radical hospitality)
- Grow (life-long learning)
- Serve (caring for our neighbors)

These core values are the foundation of everything we do together.

WHAT WE WANT THE WORLD TO BE LIKE

- There will not be “others,” only neighbors.
- Everyone will have enough to eat.
- Everyone will have a safe place to live.
- All children will have access to safe, truth-based education.

HOW WE WILL LIVE

We will live out our core values by being a community that:

- Connects with other people and the Sacred through the ways of Jesus.
- Believes that Jesus’ teachings are one way of finding connection. Other sources of wisdom and connection are valuable and meaningful.
- Creates inclusive community, theologically and otherwise.
- Knows that how we treat each other reflects what we believe about the Sacred and humanity.
- Values questions and is skeptical of absolutes and religious dogma.
- Works for peace and justice.
- Practices good stewardship of all our resources, including the environment.
- Commits to learning and love on our journey together.

WHAT WE WILL DO

- Connect with our neighbors by using our building and grounds as safe places for community gatherings that align with our core values.

This will include:

- continuing to invest in the Connections Youth program
- hosting 12-Step programs
- providing space for our ministry partners to meet

This could include:

- community education
- prayer vigils
- yoga
- service projects

- Connect with our neighbors by hosting events for people of all ages, skin colors, sexual orientations, gender identities, abilities, and beliefs.

This will include:

- continuing to provide age-appropriate, core value-centered, youth and children's programming
- intergenerational Family Ministry events
- growing the resource library

This could include:

- alternative worship experiences
- senior adult events/ministries
- online communities

- Address food insecurity.

This will include:

- maintaining the community garden with the intent to expand
- Lunches with Love (monthly meal to our neighbors at Torrey Place)
- 24/7 Pantry

This could include:

- beekeeping
- animals
- planting fruit trees

- Support our ministry partners as we work together to address houselessness in Bartlesville.

This could include:

- day center
- building a partnership to use DCC land for affordable housing

- Plant and grow native plants and pollinators to support the birds and bees.
- Recommit to being a Green Chalice congregation.
This will include:
 - establishing a Green Team to explore and promote environmentally friendly practices in our congregation
- Conduct a capital campaign
This could include:
 - roofing the garage
 - roofing the flat roof
 - replacing the sanctuary carpeting
 - repainting and repairing exterior trim
 - replacing air handlers
 - repainting and repairing interior walls
 - replacing or stripping and rewaxing tile in Fellowship Hall, education hallway, kitchen, and bathrooms
 - adding a gender-neutral bathroom with showers
 - funding special projects