

OUR SHARED VALUES

The churches of the Baltimore-Washington and Peninsula-Delaware Area are guided by five values that stem from the Bible and their Wesleyan heritage. These values shape our mission and ministry as we seek to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.



- **Love in Action**

Practicing God's love and grace, we build real, transformative relationships in our communities. Ours is not ministry "from a distance," but ministry "up close and personal" — we are the hands and feet of Christ in the world, serving those in need.

- **Strength through Connection**

Rooted in the United Methodist tradition of connection, we are united, uplifting one another, and holding each other accountable with love. We build strong bonds with one another and across our global church to do as much good as we can, because we truly are better together.

- **Unity with Diversity**

As God's beloved community, we each bring our unique stories and strengths to all that we do, united in purpose and committed to equity, inclusion, antiracism/anti-oppression and justice for all.

- **Partnering with Purpose**

Intentional and strategic partnerships with other churches, people, and organizations enable us to share and cross-pollinate ideas, resources, and energy so that we can thrive, bear more fruit, and live according to God's call.

- **Freedom to Experiment**

We prioritize empowering leaders and members to dream big, try new things, and learn from failure. We give permission for creativity and boldness and are committed to staying open to new ways of sharing God's love with all people.