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# CALVARY MIDDLE SCHOOL

## Vision and Mission

### Discipleship

Followers of Jesus Christ are marked by these three things—their worship of God in their life, their faithful fellowship to one another, and their heart for the mission of God in the world. But these three things are the aftereffect of a changed heart. As minds and hearts are fed with truth, discipleship is the lynchpin for catalyzing students to demonstrate their faith in these ways. Thus, our gatherings are intensely discipleship-focused. Built into Tuesday nights is a small group led by mentors to facilitate meaningful discussion and trusting relationships that can extend past regular youth group meeting times. Large group teaching on Sunday mornings are also community driven and encourages participation and ongoing discussion. The ultimate goal of every conversation, every lesson, and every missions opportunity is that truth is tended to and watered in relationship and bears fruit in the following ways.

### Worship

Worship is not less than the song and order of the church service, but also the moments in between. Our desire is that our students participate in the worshiping life of the church and are able to expand their view of worship beyond the events that take place on Sunday morning. Through gospel-rooted lessons and God-centered teaching, we desire to demonstrate a life of holistic worship, one that includes math class, soccer practice, and washing the dishes.

### Fellowship

We strive to do everything we do in community. From small groups on Tuesday nights designed for meaningful discussion to our larger group gathering on Sunday mornings, we want our students to be known, loved, and connected. Games, meals, and events, all align with a desire to create a vibrant and exuberant community, in which we were created to be.

### Mission

Through a desire to be community-engaged and missions-minded, there will be periodic opportunities to serve those within our church, within our community, and throughout the world at large. We believe a part of our faith is not only our life with each other, but that Christ compels us to share our lives with others and partner with Him in reconciling all things to Himself.



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## Gatherings

### Tuesday Night

We meet every Tuesday night at the church in the downstairs youth room from 6:30-8:30pm. (With the exception of fifth Tuesdays. We'll utilize that time for Leader's Meetings.) We will begin our time with dinner and conversation, will transition into a game, have a quick time of announcements for upcoming events, and have a teaching time between 15-25 minutes long. We'll end the night with small groups, and students will be dismissed from their small groups.

### Sunday Morning

We will meet 10:40 am (second service) up in the high school room. The first twenty minutes are hang out and catch up time, and at 11:00 high school and middle school split up. Teaching lasts an hour and encourages participation and discussion throughout.

### First Fridays

Every first Friday, we will have an outing or an event. So far on the schedule is laser tag, scavenger hunts, skyzone, a lock-in, and movie night just to name a few. Depending on the activity, these events may cost \$15.

### Serving opportunities

It is my desire to give tangible opportunities throughout the year to serve their church family, community, or the greater world. Examples of this would include helping staff an event for Calvary ministry partner, a summer service camp, or serving the elderly at our church.

### Retreat

Every fall, we spend a weekend at Expeditions Unlimited in Baraboo, Wisconsin. It is a wonderful time to get away, enjoy some quality time with each other, and spend some time in the Word.