

attend meetings, participate in the activities of their committee regularly, and support the work of the church through annual stewardship pledging of time, talents, and treasure.

➔ **HOW DO I BECOME A MEMBER?**

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Rutland United Methodist Church, please go to www.RutlandUMC.com/membership where you can download the membership form. Forms are then turned into the main office and an appointment is made with the Pastor to discuss the membership process. Please know that all persons, regardless of race, ethnicity, criminal background, marital status, sexual orientation, gender, mental health status, or cognitive ability are eligible for membership at Rutland United Methodist Church. Children under 13 will be considered for membership on a case-by-case basis.

Membership is not required to take communion, participate in worship, or community activities and spiritual practice opportunities.

All persons are considered 'parishioners' and are eligible for pastoral care regardless if they are members or not.

Please contact the office at 802-773-2460 or go to RutlandUMC.com for more information.

RUTLAND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



3 CIRCLES OF TRANSFORMATIONAL DISCIPLESHIP

➔ WHAT IS **TRANSFORMATIONAL DISCIPLESHIP**?

Transformational Discipleship is the learning, practicing, and profession of our Christian values as modeled by Christ and articulated by The United Methodist Church, which results in healthy individual and communal growth. Each of the three areas of growth are like interconnected circles, both dependent and independent at the same time.

➔ WHAT ARE THE **THREE CIRCLES OF TRANSFORMATIONAL DISCIPLESHIP**?



INSIDE-OUT HOSPITALITY:

*Inside-Out Hospitality is the idea of **being** the church wherever we are, bringing the welcome and acceptance found in the bonds of Sunday fellowship out into the greater community. Three specific programs have been developed to create these community experiences:*

- ~ **Breaking Bread Community Pot-Luck**
(held on the last Thursday of each month)
- ~ **Faith on Foot Street Reach Team**
(Thursdays 8-12 noon, rain or shine)
- ~ **Comfort Zone Drop-In Center**
(Monday – Thursday, 9-12 noon)



FAITH & PRACTICE:

Spiritual growth and faith formation are absolutely vital for discipleship of Jesus Christ. Neither happen by accident; it takes intentionality and practice to grow spiritually and to form a mature faith. Three opportunities for spiritual growth through activities outside of Sunday worship are available:

- ~ **Bible Study**
(Tuesdays, 11-12:30 pm)
- ~ **Prayer & Praise Emergent Worship**
(Thursdays, 7 – 8 pm)
- ~ **Spiritual Growth and Wellness Plan**
(with Pastor Hannah by appointment only)



COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP:

*Healthy Leadership is absolutely critical to building healthy community. All church members are considered leaders, therefore all church members are encouraged to participate in an annual **leadership event, district and conference events, and Lay Servant classes**. Active committee chairs and all committee members are required to participate in at least one of these three per calendar year and are asked to sign a covenant pledging that they will faithfully*

