

Core Values of San Ramon Valley UMC

Core Values are “actual” values - the beliefs that SRVUMC and its members own and regularly act on. They are what makes us, us!

Core Values are important to SRVUMC in that they:

1. Communicate what is important in the life of the church
2. Affect the church’s overall behavior
3. Determine our church’s ministry distinctiveness
4. Shape our ministries character
5. Dictate people’s personal involvement
6. Help people embrace positive change
7. Inspire people to action
8. Enhance credible leadership
9. Contribute to success

On the next page you will see a listing of our Core Values and a brief explanation of each value and its key components. Give thought to how you are involved in each of these activities/efforts or how they are a part of your routine.

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Celebrating God's Grace - Growing Disciples Through:

Intentional Spiritual Growth

We encourage the exploration and understanding of faith through the witness of scripture, the experience of vibrant worship, and deepening relationship with God and others.

- Christian Education
- Small Groups
- Interpretive Biblical Teaching & Preaching
- Theologically Progressive
- Prayer
- Authentic Worship
- Diverse Yet Corporate Worship

Inclusive Hearts and Minds

We are a church of open hearts, open minds and open doors. There is a place at the table for ALL - regardless of age, gender, race, sexual orientation or beliefs.

- Opening & Welcome
- Celebrating Diversity

Compassionate Service

We are called to live out God's love for us through compassionate service to our church family, our community and our world

- Mission/Outreach
- Social Responsibility
- Social Justice Advocacy

Community

We offer a place of belonging, support and encouragement as an expression of God's love

- Fellowship
- Hospitality
- Joyful Connections
- Supportive Groups

Creative & Innovative Ministries

We believe the spirit God - who makes all things new - empowers us to use our gifts for ministry in creative and innovative ways without losing sight of the traditions from our past.

- Approach to Worship, Small Groups and Events
- Spiritual Development
- Music
- The Arts
- Outreach