

## Mission Assessment Questions –

### Gethsemane Lutheran Church, Dassel, MN December 2015

1. What do you consider the “core value” or “core mission” of Gethsemane Lutheran? What is our purpose or reason for being?
2. What are some examples of things our church is doing well with regard to its mission?
3. What do you believe are the greatest challenges our church faces as it works to fulfill its mission?
4. Think ahead five years in your life (lives) and in the life of the congregations and reflect on the following questions: In what ways would you like to be prepared to serve God in the world? What kind of congregation will need to exist in order to support you in this endeavor? In what ways would you like your congregation to be prepared to serve God in the world more fully and boldly? What would such a congregation look like? How can you begin now to work for such a congregation?
5. Are there new programs or ministries you would like to see created, renewed or emphasized? Are there facility changes needed to support these programs or ministries?
6. What do you believe are the greatest challenges our community faces? What role does Gethsemane play in meeting those challenges?
7. Is the congregation adequately staffed?
8. If there were no budget constraints, what dreams do you have, or do you think God has, for our congregation?
9. Do you feel you are sufficiently informed about church matters? What is your primary source of information about the church? Are there resources that could be provided to make it easier for you to volunteer in certain positions or on certain committees?
10. Do you feel welcome at Gethsemane? If yes, what makes you feel welcome? If no, why don't you feel welcome?
11. What is your personal vision or hope for the church's future? Do you feel that your sense of purpose and mission is shared with others of our church?
12. What else would you like to share about our church and future together that might be helpful to this study?