

ALDERSGATE LEADER SUMMIT 2024: Top 5 Takeaways

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- 1) Perseverance** is a key attribute of Aldersgate and the UMC. Our faith is built on eternal principles of service, hope, and grace. Although leaders will change in and out, national level church policy will evolve, and the environment we face will change, this church remains a force for good.

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2) Looking inward and outward at the collective skills and experience of the congregation and community can help the church meet its needs in efficient fashion. Our collection of “time and talents” is an important part of this effort, but Aldersgate will explore new ways of enabling humble acts of service.

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3) Remaining transparent is an enduring principle: in finances, changes, ministry work, and more. We are one church, and proactively building bridges is important: between ministries, between church leaders and the congregation, and among one another. We will continue to utilize all tools at our disposal to distribute information and create shared awareness.

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4) Aldersgate is a community bedrock. The church is a faith community but also much more to the people of Ft. Hunt. This includes:

- Scouting
- Aldersgate Day School
- Volunteer Opportunities
- Community Theater
- Camps
- And much more!

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5) **Simplifying, streamlining, and sharing** opportunities to serve will continue to connect the congregation with its ministry groups. We are all one, and making use of all our talents will amplify the good work of Aldersgate many times over.