

Valleybrook Church is a church of real people that are celebrating an awesome God. Our mission is: *“to know and share the life-changing love of God”* and core values are: *Renewing & Restoring, Whole-Life Worship, Valuing Every Person, Better Together, and Making Disciples*. We strive to be a Bible-centered church where every person can be welcomed through grace and challenged by truth. Our leadership is egalitarian (see our statement of beliefs: valleybrookchurch.org/whatwebelieve). We have a staff team of three full-time pastors and three part-time ministry staff. Our elder team is passionate, devoted, and faithful. Our average Sunday attendance and online streaming is around 250 people. We are engaged in numerous community events and outreaches, which is resulting in growing diversity. We have a strong presence of young families, young adults, college students, and 20-25 middle & high school students. 50% of the church participates in small groups, support groups, or in one-on-one discipleship relationships.

Valleybrook Church began in 1993 as “a place for people who had given up on church but hadn’t given up on God” and quickly became a thriving church that owns (debt-free) a historic movie theater and several other buildings in downtown Eau Claire, Wisconsin. Around 2015, our church was humbled by the uncovering of a former Lead Pastor’s significant spiritual abuse of others. With denominational help, an Interim Pastor helped return us to health and rebuild trust within the church and community. In 2017, Pastor Travis Albrecht accepted the call as Lead Pastor. Through God’s grace, we are a healthy church with multigenerational families, young adults, and college students.

Valleybrook is located in the heart of downtown **Eau Claire, Wisconsin**. Our city is considered the hub of Northwest Wisconsin and is our state’s 7th largest city with a rapidly growing community of about 70,000 people. We are located within 90 minutes of Minneapolis and St. Paul, MN. The University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire (about 10,000 undergraduates) and Chippewa Valley Technical College (with roughly 3,000 students) is a large draw to our community. Eau Claire is filled with bike trails and parks. Summers bring several major outdoor music festivals, with live music in the summer on almost every night in local parks. The Pablo Center hosts performing and visual art shows year round. In 2020, Eau Claire was named the third most livable small city in the U.S. Whether the outdoors, arts, shopping or hanging out in local coffee shops is your thing, Eau Claire has a lot to offer.