

## **Faith Presbyterian Church Policies and Procedures Manual**

### **CHAPTER I – DOCTRINE/HERITAGE/MISSION**

#### DOCTRINE AND HERITAGE

The Presbyterian Church has its roots in the teaching of the early Reformation leaders such as Martin Luther, John Calvin, John Knox and others. The Presbyterian Book of Confessions includes the Westminster Confession of Faith and other historic confessions which define the reformed heritage in which the Presbyterian Church stands. The theological requirement for communicant membership is a profession of faith in Jesus Christ.

The members of this church are part of a fellowship in which Christ's Spirit is present and through which He continues His work of redeeming love in the world.

#### MISSION

**Faith Mission Statement:** *We serve as a church home for worship and to call and nurture disciples of Jesus Christ.*

The mission of the Faith Presbyterian Church is to serve the sovereign God by ministering to the whole person -- by serving spiritual, physical, emotional, and intellectual needs -- in the congregation, in the community, and in the world.

1. Our mission as a congregation:
  - ◆ To proclaim faithfully God's unconditional love as revealed in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.
  - ◆ To worship as an offering of our praise and Thanksgiving and as a means of renewing our commitment.
  - ◆ To provide a learning environment for all ages for members to grow in knowledge and understanding of the Bible and of the love of God in Christ.
  - ◆ To nurture the growth and deepen the commitment of members.
  - ◆ To provide a community of Christian love.
  
2. Our mission in the community and in the world:
  - ◆ To proclaim with enthusiasm God's unconditional love revealed in Jesus Christ and to invite all persons to accept Him.
  - ◆ To inspire and encourage our members to work for justice, peace and right.
  - ◆ To be God's steward with responsibility for that which God created.
  - ◆ To encourage and support the efforts of the organizations and institutions which seek to minister to the welfare of humanity in Christ's name.

We commit ourselves to these purposes with confidence that Christ is the living hope!

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