

Statements of Our Faith

We are friends of Jesus

"You are my friends," Jesus said, "if you do what I command you." Then he commanded us to love one another.

Our life is in Christ

There is one, Christ Jesus, who speaks to our condition, and he came to teach people himself.

Christ is a living presence

The Bible reveals that our inward experiences are the true reality of Christ's presence. Essential baptism is that of the Holy Spirit.

The Holy Spirit is the source of truth

Our faith is grounded in our worshiping community and in our own spiritual pilgrimage. Truth is a matter of revelation by God.

Life is sacred

We take seriously the teachings of Jesus Christ regarding peace and loving all people, including one's neighbors and enemies.

Integrity is a way of living

Each day we seek to live in a way that is consistent with the teachings of Jesus.

All are ministers

Ministry takes many forms. Each one of us is expected to exercise the responsibilities and privileges of membership in individual ministries.

—First Friends
Discernment Process

Upcoming Events

2020

Sunday, 11th.

9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship Service
Rise of Worship Youth Handbells

Sunday, 18th.

9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship Service
Rise of Worship Youth Handbells

Monday, 12th.

2:00 pm Outreach Committee
4:00 pm Trustee Committee
Columbus Day

Monday, 19th.

Tuesday, 13th.

6:30 pm CM&E and CE

Tuesday, 20th.

4:00 pm Delta Kappa Gamma
6:30 pm Administrative Comm.

Wednesday, 14th.

5:30 pm Girl Scouts 3997
6:30 pm Bell Choir
7:30 pm Vocal Choir

Wednesday, 21st.

9:30 am Hobby Club
6:30 pm Bell Choir
7:30 pm Vocal Choir

Thursday, 15th.

12:00-6:00pm American Red Cross
Blood Drive
6:30 pm Finance Committee

Thursday, 22nd.

11:30 am Seasoned Friends
New London

Friday, 16th.

Friday, 23rd.

Saturday, 17th.

Saturday, 24th.

11:30 am Girl Scouts #459



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Our Mission:

First Friends exists to *invite* people into a living faith in God through Jesus Christ, to *transform* us into mature disciples by the work of the Holy Spirit, and to *send* us into the world as witnesses of Christ Jesus.

Welcome

May God's grace touch each worshiper today and may all of us be filled with love. If you have come as a visitor, we hope that you'll leave as a friend who's been blessed by worship.

Please complete the roll call card (located in the back of the pew in front of you) to indicate a specific prayer need or a friendly visit.

The nursery is available for children ages birth to 2 years old during the Sunday School hour and Meeting for Worship. The Godly Play Ministry is available for children ages 3 yrs.-3rd. grade during Meeting for Worship.

"If we have the reality (of Christ), nothing else is required; if we do not have the reality, nothing else will suffice." -D. Elton Trueblood

Meeting For Worship

October 11, 2020

Welcome, Cares and Shares

Dot Williams

Hymn #138*

"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

The Gathered

Offertory

"Praise Him in the Morning"
Arr. Don Wyrzten

Polly Simmons

Anthem

Bell Choir

Godly Play

Message

Jonathan Newton

Open Worship

Our "open worship" offers time to wait upon the Lord in *stillness* allowing for an exchange of communication between Christ and ourselves. Confession, repentance, prayer and praise are often experienced as God's Spirit rises up within, renewing our life in His kingdom. (Psalm 46:10, Isaiah 40:28-31, Acts 1:4, 2:1-2).

Hymn #130*

"Bind Us Together"

The Gathered

Benediction

Jon

Postlude

"O Worship the King"
Haydn

Polly

*Please stand for the singing of hymns.

(The order of Worship is subject to change by the Holy Spirit.)

Music Ministry
Music Director.....Michelle Kennedy Organist.....Polly Simmons Pianist.....Beth Morris



Prayer Requests	
Susan Block Mendy Boyle Mary Gang	Bea McMurtrey Dan Sheridan Alec Wessendorf Walt Wessendorf