

How We Live and Work Together in St. John's Episcopal Church

What are our values?

These are the characteristics of our church and church family that we value most highly, in conjunction with our Baptismal Covenant:

Faith in the Father, our creator, in Christ, our Redeemer, the Holy Spirit who guides us, and our brothers and sisters in Christ with whom we are all one body.

Sincerity in all we say and do.

Trust in God's will for us.

Service to others, and seeking Christ in all persons.

Worship, weekly, with our brothers and sisters in Christ, and valuing them as cherished members of our family.

A **Compassionate** and **Generous** spirit in our dealings with other people.

Tolerance and **Acceptance** for those who wish to grow in Christ but whose lives may be different than ours.

Civility and **Respect** toward all people.

Courage to stand for what is right according to God's Word.

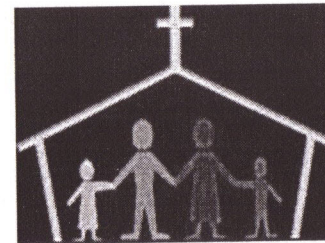
What kind of church family will we be?

These are some of our most important goals for our church family:

To continue growing in our membership, both adults and children

To welcome all people, regardless of ethnicity, gender, age, finances, or lifestyle.

To have a leadership strong in Christ's values, resistant to evil, and approachable by all family members.



To have the joyful financial support of all members.

To expand our community outreach activities and to see all members fully participate.

To unify our church family in peace, comfort, happiness, joy, and abundant love.