**Statement of Faith**

I believe in the Triune God,

God the Father,

God the Son, and

God the Holy Spirit.

Our God is a living and creating God,

creating things good, in His image,

always active and attentive to this creation.

Our God is a forgiving and merciful God,

who showers us with blessings abundant.

God the Son, Jesus Christ, is a sign of God's grace.

Jesus came to earth and lived as a human, teaching us how to live and love.

He was crucified and buried for our sins.

Jesus rose from the dead giving us the gift of eternal life,

proving that death is not the end,

and even death cannot separate us from God’s love and care.

God the Holy Spirit is alive among us, breathing through our lives,

giving us strength and guidance, revealing to us our gifts and passions.

It is through this spirit that we are introduced to God's unending love.

God calls us to live in community.

We come to the community as individuals, as forgiven sinners,

each with different gifts and talents.

The community is the church, the Body of Christ.

Within this community, Scripture and Sacraments are central.

Scripture tells the story of God's longing to be in relationship with creation throughout history.

The Sacraments celebrate this involvement and remind us of God's self-sacrificing love.

God also calls us to go outside of the community,

to share and spread the Word and Love of God to our neighbor.

Our neighbors are men, women, young, old, rich, poor, friends, and enemies.

We each have special gifts and talents which are given to us from God.

We use these gifts and talents to share God's love with others.

All our gifts are needed to reach out to our neighbor.

We share the gifts of each other to spread God's love.

We return to the community to worship.

to offer praise and thanksgiving to God.