



Our Mission

Believing Jesus is our only hope, Stumptown Mennonite Church leads people in a growing relationship with God. We follow His ways and together build the kingdom of God, in a community where everyone belongs.

BELIEVE, BELONG, GROW

We **BELIEVE** Jesus is the only hope for a lost and broken world.

- We believe that the Bible is the inspired Word of God. Its truths are unchanging and irrefutable, therefore the Bible is our standard for our lives. (II Timothy 3:16-17)
- We believe in God as the creator and sustainer of all life and recognize the sanctity of all human life. (Colosians 1:16-17)
- We believe that Jesus provides salvation for all through His death and resurrection. Those who repent and believe in Him are promised eternal life. Our allegiance to Christ supersedes all other allegiances. (John 11: 25-26)
- We believe the Holy Spirit empowers and enables us to live Christ-like lives. (Acts 1:8)
- We believe we are called to love the Lord our God and our neighbors as ourselves. (Mark 12: 30-31)
- Shaped by Anabaptism, we believe in peace and justice for all people. We seek to respond in nonviolent ways. (Micah 6:8)
- We believe in believers' baptism (Acts 2: 37-38)
- We believe in the sacredness of marriage as a lifelong commitment of a man and woman with God's blessing and direction. (I Corinthians 7)
- We believe we are called to be good stewards of our resources and the earth. (Genesis 2:15)

We **BELONG** to a community of believers.

- Our gatherings provide opportunities for transformation through participatory worship and small group interaction. (Hebrews 10: 24-25)
- We desire mutual accountability, caring and spiritual growth. (Romans 12:5)
- Being a disciple of Jesus requires us to reach out to our world, both locally and globally, with the good news of the Gospel. We support each other as we carry out the Great Commission. (Matthew 28: 16-20)
- We welcome everybody to experience love, understanding, hope, healing and a personal relationship with Jesus. (I John 4:19-21)

We **GROW** by being nurtured in our faith journey of following Jesus.

- We seek an intimate relationship with Jesus Christ. We see faith as a journey, both individually and as a community. (Matthew 6:33)

- Becoming a disciple of Jesus is a personal choice, involving repentance of our sins, accepting God's grace and committing ourselves to following Jesus, enabled by His Holy Spirit. (Luke 9: 23-24)
- As we go into all the world and proclaim His love, we follow Jesus' model of entering into the cultural environment to engage with people as we seek to further the Kingdom of God. (Matthew 28:19-20)

Our Vision

We will strengthen each other as we follow Jesus and experience the love of Christ in our daily lives. We will connect with our neighbors and friends and together invite all to become active in the family of God.

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