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STATEMENT OF FAITH

I believe in the living God, as one in whom we live and move and have our being, who is the pulse and purpose of everything that has Being, and who seeks to cause things to happen through the convergence of elements of love and grace, God is at work in the process of evolution to bring about liberation, justice and peace, moving people from narcissism to empathy, to compassion and sympathy, to altruism .

I believe in Jesus Christ, who is God coming out to teach, heal and liberate the human race, and to enable humankind to take responsibility for the renewal of life through utilizing feedback which helps to define what is good, healthy and life-giving. I believe Jesus' primary teachings are found in the Parable of the Prodigal Son, which tells us that we are accepted in spite of being unacceptable, and the Parable of the Good Samaritan which demonstrates how we are to care for others. His washing of the disciples feet is an example for us of our mission. He died to demonstrate the life of sacrifice necessary to bring about regeneration of health and institutions, so that all people may enjoy the right to life, health, education, housing and freedom of choice in medical and end of life decisions.

I believe in Holy Spirit, not as a being, but as a metaphor for the interdependence and inter-relatedness of all things. Holy Spirit regenerates and reforms the Church and enables the worshipper to embrace the same Spirit as those who wrote the Holy Scriptures, and interprets them in each generation so that the Church may be inspired, informed and strengthened for the work of ministry throughout the world, Through the Word spoken and the Word broken we may experience resurrection and the living presence of Jesus Christ.