

Christ Congregational Church

A Just Peace, Open and Affirming Church.
Becoming an Anti-Racist Church



Open and Affirming

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Amended by the Congregation on October 19, 2003

Christ Congregational Church is a covenant faith community where all people are recognized as being made in God's image, reconciled by Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit. We believe that gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender people share, with all others, worth that comes from being a unique individual loved by God. We recognize that Christians differ on issues of sexual orientation and gender identity, but our understanding of the nature of God requires us to embrace all people. Therefore, Christ Congregational Church intentionally welcomes and affirms gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender persons to journey in faith with us.

We believe that as members of the community of faith we are called to love one another and ourselves as whole persons. We seek to relate to one another with love, trust and in ways that are mutually accountable and nurturing. Our covenant commitment challenges us to welcome all people into the life of our faith community.

We recognize the diversity of families among us and the ways in which God calls us into relationship. We support traditional and extended families, single persons and those who are widowed and divorced. We value all families, including gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender persons' families and seek to nurture and support the commitments they make.

We believe that God creates and celebrates diversity and declare our openness to all who seek Christ's love in our midst. We openly affirm this belief and commit ourselves to its realization in all aspects of our life together.