## **Statements of Faith Questions**



## 23rd Confirmation Class Handout

## Questions to help with the formulating of your statement of faith:

- --What's one thing that you have learned about God in the last year that you think is helpful to you?
- --What's one thing that you have learned about Jesus in the last year that you think is helpful to you?
- --What are some things about the faith stories that you've learned this past year that you didn't know before?
- --What knowledge or understanding or spiritual practice/discipline have you received while at this church?

The following questions are to help you think about your faith. They are yes/no questions, but if you ask yourself "why" after your yes/no answer and then answer that question, that might further help you understand what exactly it is that you believe.

Do you believe there is a God?

If yes to the first question:

Do you believe God is person-like?

Do you believe God is an energy?

Do you believe God is with you?

Do you believe God loves you?

Do you believe God talks to you?

Do you believe God wants to help you? If yes, what does that help look like?

Do you believe God is calling you to pay more attention to God?

Do you believe that Jesus existed?

Do you believe you can study Jesus?

If yes, do you believe all, some or none of what Jesus taught?

Do you believe that studying Jesus (following Jesus) helps you be more like Jesus?

Do you believe that the way Jesus lived is how you have to live to be closer to God?

Do you believe that God sent Jesus as a gift to the world?

Do you believe that you can be God's body, part of the body of Christ and therefore God's gift to the world? If yes, do you believe following Jesus would help you better know how to be God's gift to the world?

Do you believe the church are the people who seek God first?

Do you believe you are God's home?

Do you believe the church accurately reflects God and shines God's light to the world?

Do you believe that God needs your help to shine God's light?

If there are some beliefs about God that you think you have that are important and were not addressed by these answers and questions, write a number of statements about God with each statement starting with, "I believe..."

Circle the four or five answers above that you find to be most important. Using those circled answers, write each answer out, starting each sentence with "I believe..." Once you have them written out, place the sentences in the order of most important to you to least. Once you've done that, you now have a statement of faith.