ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

St. Mary's: Serving with Joy (Jesus first, Others second, Yourself last)

CORE VALUES of St. Mary's Episcopal Church

Christ-Centered and Kingdom-Oriented in our teaching and purpose for mission. **Anglican Tradition** frames our liturgy and theology.

Loving God and Neighbor is at the heart of all of our actions.

Alive in the Holy Spirit – seeking God's active presence in directing our efforts and resources towards building the Kingdom of God.

MISSION STATEMENT - A description of what we do.

The mission of St. Mary's Episcopal Church is to bear God's Good News through joyful worship, Christ-centered teaching, compassionate care, and intentional relationships.

VISION STATEMENT - An image of what we strive to look like.

Through the love of Jesus, St. Mary's will be a joy-filled Christian community for all individuals through:

- inspired joy-filled worship in the Anglican tradition
- faithful apostolic teaching that feeds the mind and soul
- compassionate response to the needs of all, with special focus on the needs of the aged, children, and those in crisis
- partnerships with neighboring faith communities and others
- meaningful relationships with the neighborhood
- honoring God in rhythms of work and rest, and in the intentional use of all resources

The Vestry and its Long Range Planning Committee use these statements to guide our decisions and future priorities as a church and neighborhood parish. Please keep this faithful work in your prayers!

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