

Justice – Compassion – Faith

Dear Friends,

Last summer, Mosaic adopted a mission statement. “The purpose of Mosaic United Methodist Church is to welcome all to experience the radical love of God as together we create a beautiful community of justice, compassion and faith.”

We want to be a church that welcomes ALL. Many have felt excluded by the church. We want to create a community where people feel included. Many have felt that Christianity is an outdated way of thinking about God and the world. We want to create a community where people can express their opinions, doubts, and new ideas without the fear of being shunned. Many people wonder if God is truly a God of love. We want to create a community where all discover the radical love and grace of God.

And I especially like the last three parts of our statement: a community of justice, compassion, and faith. Mosaic seeks to be involved in not only reaching out to people with a helping hand (compassion), but we also want to work for equity in all human relationships and social structures (justice). And faith is at the center of all we do. Some of us have no faith, or little faith, or a lot of faith. I believe God meets each of us right where we are, works with us and in us and through us, and moves us into deeper experiences of belief, trust, and grace.

This is exactly the kind of church where I want to belong! I invite you to join with me in making a commitment for 2017 as we continue to build the kind of church we believe God wants us to be.

Peace,
Scott Spencer

2017 COMMITMENT

(Name: _____) *You may turn this in without your name

When persons become members of the church, they are asked “Will you faithfully participate in its ministries by your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service, and your witness?”

In response to God’s love and as an expression of my faith and commitment to Christ in 2017, I vow:

_____ [PRAYER] to pray for the Mosaic community, the pastors and its ministries

_____ [PRESENCE] to participate in worship, growth opportunities, and other activities as I am able

_____ [GIFTS] to give of myself using the gifts and resources God has given me.

_____ My estimate of giving for 2017: \$_____ (or _____% of my income

_____ I will give as I am able to the connectional ministries (apportionments) of the UMC over and above my giving to the general budget of Mosaic.

_____ [SERVICE] to serve others by being the “hands and feet of Jesus” in the church and in the world

_____ [WITNESS] to show others the love of Jesus in both word and deed

Please place this in an envelope, seal it, and bring it worship on November 13, or return it to the church office anytime.