

## Huron Chapel - Our Values

We value **Loving Jesus** above all. As Our Saviour, He has done for us what we cannot do for ourselves. As Our Lord, He deserves our loving obedience. We want to be like Him in our attitudes, behaviours and character. We are learning to follow Him as He leads on mission to the World. We will serve Him and serve others in His Name.

We value **the Word of God**, preached, taught and lived out. Our Lord has put His seal of approval on all of Scripture, Old and New Testaments. We value the teaching and preaching of His Word, learning to read the Scriptures the way Jesus did and for the same purpose, so that we can be more like Him in every way, making His passions and priorities ours.

We value **the Mission of Jesus**. The Message of Jesus is Good News and we intend to communicate that Good News by demonstration (blessing others) and proclamation (sharing His Message). Our activities will be geared to express this mission, for children and youth, teaching our children, teaching adults, small groups, engaging our community, supporting global involvement through sending and supporting of workers and through personal involvement in global opportunities as teams or as individuals. We also emphasize that advancing the Mission of Jesus is important to how we function in our homes and in our personal engagement in the larger community. We know that it is our character (who we are) as much as our words (what we say) that carries the Good News effectively.

We value **Loving Relationships**. We know that Our Lord has said, 'By this the world will know that you are my disciples, that you love one another.' We know that we are on a journey of learning to love God and to love others and are prepared to own it, and to work on it, making guests feel welcome, being slow to take offense and quick to forgive. As a community we value opportunities to show that love, by encouraging positive family dynamics, responding when someone is in need with compassion, gathering in fellowship times and meals, working and serving together, and just having fun together.

We value **Generosity**. Our Lord has said that He loves a cheerful giver, and we are learning to give generously of our time, talents and treasure, volunteering when and where we can in the congregation and in the community, giving financially to work of the congregation and Gospel causes nationally and internationally, and supporting community endeavours where we can, making our building available for worthy community events and the like.

We value **Passionate Spirituality**. There is no greater joy than 'to glorify God and to enjoy Him forever' and so we celebrate in our music and in our acts of worship, in our praying and in our enthusiasm of serving Him as part of congregational life and life in the larger community. Our passion for Jesus is not limited to our gatherings. All of life 24/7 belongs to Jesus and so our passion for Him extends to how we work and how we play, our priorities in how we use our time, and our talents, and our resources — giving Him glory as we serve, read His Word, pray and live.