



*Core Values  
for  
the Mission and Vision of  
First United Methodist  
Church  
San Benito, Texas*

**In order to be effective and  
serve God we strive with God's**

**grace to be. . .**

- 1. A community of joy that celebrates easily and laughs freely.**
- 2. A place of prayer and dependence on God for direction and guidance.**
- 3. A community shaped by scriptures, tradition, reason and experience, by the Living Word of God revealed in Jesus Christ.**
- 4. A church that is humble in our victories and honest in our failures, struggles and doubts. We will be truthful with each other and with God.**
- 5. People who do the right thing, even when it is uncomfortable, even when it costs us something.**
- 6. A church that chooses love over hate; cooperation over competition; grace over grudges.**
- 7. An inclusive community that endeavors to see and nurture the good in all people because all people are created in the image of God and are of infinite sacred worth.**
- 8. A church that strives for excellence in everything we do – because God deserves our very best.**

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