

Our Mission

Welcoming, Inviting, Inclusive Community with a reputation as *“The Caring Place”*
We are a *“free to be yourself”* place.

Sunday Morning is a time for creating new relationships & building up old ones.

Our mission is to make **Mt Fern UMC**, hospitality personified (Love Incarnate)

1. Provide a safe place for all individuals to be themselves:

- People who deal with Mental illness, or are physically or mentally challenged
- Gay and Lesbian Community
- People who may identify themselves as non-Christian or “Spiritual but not religious”
- Inclusive of those who do not feel welcome in other faith communities
- A place of deliberate Inclusion – not just “welcome”

2. Dynamic Worship

- Music, Readings, Energy, Uplifting
- Participatory liturgies
- Inclusive Language
- Many Laity Involved in worship
- Lord’s Prayer & Passing the Peace
(example of dynamic in worship)

3. Leadership that is Mission – Service Focused

- Seeks opportunities to connect with community and its needs
- Prophetic voice, missionary hands and feet
- Building used by outside groups that promote healing and wholeness
- AA, ASP, Food Pantry, Meeting Space for Community Groups

4. Nurturing Community –

- Classes, activities, programs and workshops that nurture
- Adult Nurture Groups – adult class