

## WORSHIP



"The Lord has more truth and light to break forth out of his holy word." With these words John Robinson encouraged the Pilgrims as they prepared to sail

to the New world in 1620. As the spiritual heirs of the Pilgrims we gather as a covenant community, to pray and sing together, hear God's word read and preached, responding to God's truth and light by caring for one another, our community, and the world.

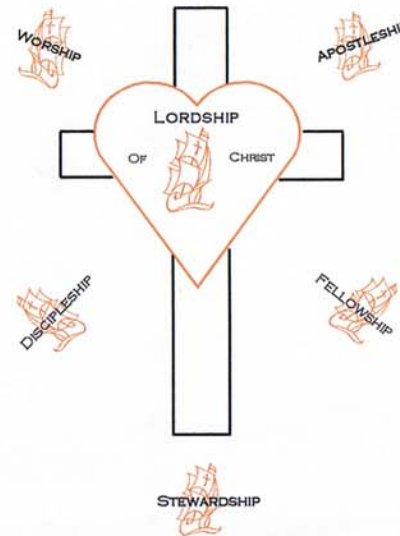
## DISCIPLESHIP (EDUCATION)

Studying our relationship to God and one another is a life-long responsibility. Three adult bible study groups meet each week. Following the Children's Message the children are excused from worship to attend Sunday School. The Congregational Café is an opportunity for the community to gather in an informal setting to discuss how our faith impacts our daily living. In addition, a women's book discussion group also meets throughout the year. Past books have included *The Red Tent*; *Christ the Lord Out of Egypt*; and *Two Women of Galilee*.



## First Congregational Church

THE small CHURCH— with a BIG heart



## STEWARDSHIP

Jesus promised that where two or three are gathered together in his name he would be in the midst of them. We at First Congregational Church have accepted responsibility for the stewardship of God's presence in our midst. Stewardship is not limited to the Sunday morning offering, but rather is a call to manage our time, talents and treasure wisely throughout the week. At First Congregational, our time is given in worship and study; our talents are used in a variety of ways, including the arts, hospitality, administration, or helping others; our treasure is given freely in a spirit of thankfulness for God's provision and faithfulness to us. Stewardship is not something someone else does; it is our response to God's claim on our lives.

## APOSTLESHP (MISSIONS)



Caring for our neighbors in need has been one of the strengths of our church. Whether gathering food for the Cape Coral Caring Center reaching out to neighbors around the world through National Association missions, or knitting sweaters for children in need, our church nurtures a generous caring spirit within the congregation and individuals alike.

## FELLOWSHIP



During the winter months, you are invited to join us for potluck dinners the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month.

The Women's Fellowship meets once a month, alternating Wednesdays and Saturdays. It promotes fellowship within the church by organizing social events like the annual Picnic, Christmas and Spring luncheons, and many special events. It supports missions of the church through fundraising and volunteer work, and its members participate in a variety of service projects.