

**First Samoan Congregational Christian Church – San Diego**  
*1345 S. 45th Street, San Diego, CA 92113*

**Our Beliefs, Mission & Vision**

**Mission Statement of the Church (Church Bylaws Article II, Section 200)**

*The Mission of this Church shall be to:*

1. Know Jesus and make Him known;
2. Worship God, to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and to celebrate the Sacraments;
3. Realize Christian Fellowship and Unity;
4. Render loving service toward all people;
5. Strive for righteousness, justice, and peace; and to
6. Engage in spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ to promote discipleship & the unity of all His followers so that all may know the Saving Grace of our Risen Savior.

**Purpose (Church Bylaws Article III, Section 300)**

*The purpose of this Church shall be to:*

1. Worship God;
2. Preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to celebrate the Sacraments;
3. Realize Christian fellowship, unity, and the Church Universal;
4. Render loving service toward humanity; and to
5. Strive for righteousness, justice, and peace.

**Covenant (Church Bylaws Article IV, Section 400)**

*The Covenant of this Church is to:*

1. Love one another as Jesus Christ loves us, be kind to one another, and forgive one another even as God has forgiven us for the sake of Jesus Christ.
2. Attend Worship Services regularly, keeping its ordinances, and promote its prosperity and spirituality.



3. Declare to abstain from the evil that diminishes our soul.
4. Keep sacred watch and care over the children and adult members who are committed to this Church for instruction and guidance.
5. Be just in our dealings, faithful in our commitments, walk worthily with one another, and devote our efforts to advance the Kingdom of God.
6. Share in the work of the Church, to cooperate with it in all good enterprises, and to promote its service, its maintenance, its purity, and its peace.
7. Support the Church, as God has prospered us – not grudgingly – but gladly, for God loves a cheerful giver.

### **Doctrine (Church Bylaws Article IV, Section 401)**

1. The Church recognizes that the Holy Bible, the Word of God contained in the Scriptures of the Old and the New Testaments, is the supreme rule of faith and duty, and is the supreme rule of this Church.
2. Each member shall have the undisturbed right to follow the Word of God under the enlightenment and direction of the Holy Spirit as revealed in Scripture.

### **Statement of Faith (Church Bylaws. Article IV. Section 402)**

1. We believe in God the Father, infinite in wisdom, goodness, and love.
2. We believe in His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior, Who for us and our salvation lived, died, rose again, and lives forevermore.
3. We believe in the Holy Spirit, Who takes of the things of Christ, reveals them to us, and renews, comforts, and inspires the souls of humanity.
4. We are united in striving to know the Will of God as taught in the Holy Scriptures, and in our purpose to walk in the ways of the Lord made known, or to be made known to us.
5. We hold it to be the mission of the Church to proclaim the Gospel to all humanity, exalting the Worship of the One True God, and laboring for the progress of



knowledge, the promotion of justice, the reign of peace, and the realization of human unity.

6. As did our forefathers, we depend upon the continued guidance of the Holy Spirit to lead us into all truth; we work and pray for the transformation of the world into the Kingdom of God; and we look with faith for triumph, righteousness, and life everlasting. Amen.

