

## The Keystone Principle

#4 – A free and responsible search for truth and meaning.

How we know we know.

#3 – Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations.

How we are together

#5 – The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large.

#2 – Justice, equity, and compassion in human relations.

The end goal of Beloved Community

#6 – The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all.

#1 – The inherent worth and dignity of every person.

Our human place in the universe

#7 – Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

- #1, Human Anthropology or Human Nature - What it means to be human
- #2, Eschatology - What happens at the end, our ultimate goal, our version of Beloved Community
- #3, Ecclesiology - How we gather in religious community
- #4, Epistemology - How we know what is true
- #5, Ecclesiology - again
- #6, Eschatology - again
- #7, Cosmology - The whole, the context, what is the universe

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