

Vision

Christ's love expressed through veterinary medicine.

Mission Statement

To challenge, empower, and facilitate veterinary professionals to serve others by living out their Christian faith.



Core Values: C.H.R.I.S.T. V.E.T.

Christ-Centered

All activities have the primary purpose of proclaiming, modeling, and glorifying our Lord, Jesus Christ as Savior to our world.

Holiness

Our desire is to grow in holiness and spiritual maturity.

Relationships

We seek relationships based on shared values, which empower all members toward building sustainable ministries.

Integrity

We will responsibly use and manage all the human, natural, and financial resources of our own organization and strive to build this strength in all our relationships.

Service

We model the servant heart of Christ through motivating, mentoring, discipling, empowering, and communicating with others within our organization, our colleagues, and those whom we serve.

Training

CVM promotes participatory training through which individuals work to identify their training needs and are empowered to ongoing physical and spiritual growth in their relationships with God, themselves, their families, and their communities.

Veterinary Focus

The skills and knowledge of veterinary medicine are used to transform lives.

Encourage

CVM desires to work with all individuals who share CVM's Statement of Faith and Core Values. We encourage their full commitment, recognize their gifts and abilities, and seek the most appropriate application of their skills to the Lord's work through CVM.

Transformation

The goal of our work is the transformation of all individuals, groups, and communities through balanced ministry to address physical, emotional, relational, vocational, and spiritual needs.



Statement of Faith

1. The Word of God

We believe the Bible, in its original writings, to be the only inspired, infallible, and authoritative Word of God without error

2 Tim 3:16, 2 Peter 1:20-21, Hebrews 4:12, Mark 13:31

2. The Trinity

We believe in one God, eternally existing in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Genesis 1:1, Mark 1:10-11, John 10:30, John 8:58, John 14:25-26

3. Jesus Christ

We believe that Jesus Christ is the one and only Son of God, born of a virgin, fully God and fully man. Isaiah 7:14, Matthew 1:21, Luke 1:35, John 1:14

4. Humanity

We believe that humanity was created in the image of God, yet sinned, leading all people to be born with a sinful nature, incapable of saving themselves from eternal separation from God.

Genesis 1:27, Romans 1:20, Romans 5:12, Genesis 3:17-19, Mark 7:20-23, Romans 3:23, James 1:14-15

5. Redemption

We believe that Jesus Christ lived a sinless life and voluntarily died on the cross to atone for humanity's sin so that all who repent and believe in Him are saved.

Romans 5:8, John 3:16, 2 Corinthians 5:21, 1 Cor 15:2-6, 1 John 4:10, John 20:31

6. Resurrection

We believe in the resurrection of the crucified body of Jesus Christ, His ascension into heaven, and in His present ministry as High Priest and Advocate.

Acts 1:9, Romans 8:34, Hebrews 2:17, Hebrews 4:15, Romans 6:10, Hebrews 7:25

7. Promised Return

We believe in that blessed hope, the promised return of the Lord Jesus Christ in His glorified body. Acts 1:11, Hebrews 9:28, John 14:1-3, Matthew 24:30 and 36 and 44, Titus 2:13

8. Holy Spirit

We believe in the deity and present ministry of the Holy Spirit who indwells all followers of Jesus Christ and enables them to live a godly life.

<u>1 Corinthians 6:19</u>, <u>Acts 1:8</u>, <u>Romans 8:9-11</u>, <u>John 14:16-17</u> and <u>26</u>, <u>John 15:26</u>, <u>Galatians 5:16-17</u>

9. Christian Conduct*

We believe that as followers of Christ, we are to live in a manner worthy of our calling by loving God and others, growing in spiritual maturity and holiness, and making disciples of all nations. Ephesians 4:1-3, Galatians 5:14, 1 Peter 2:21, Titus 2:11-12, James 1:21-22, Philippians 2:5, John 8:31, Matthew 28:18-20

^{*} For elaboration on how CVM understands Christian conduct, see the CVM Commitment of Christian Conduct.



Commitment of Christian Conduct

1. I commit to love God.

My desire is to love God by honoring Him in all that I do, obeying Him, and giving thanks for His gift of eternal life.

<u>Deuteronomy 6:4-9</u>, <u>Matthew 22:36-40</u>, <u>Romans 12:1</u>, <u>John 14:15</u>

2. I commit to love others.

My desire is to love my neighbor, acting with justice and mercy in my relationships, in my community, and among the nations.

Micah 6:8, Luke 10:29-37, Ephesians 4:1-6, 1 John 3:16-18

3. I commit to grow in spiritual maturity and holiness.

My desire is to know God more, deepen my relationship with Him, and actively pursue holiness, resisting the sinful desires of the flesh, and setting my affections on the things of God rather than the things of this world.

Psalms 1:1-3, John 15:5, Galatians 5:16-26, 1 Peter 1:15-16, 1 John 2:15-17

4. I commit to make disciples of all nations.

My desire is to participate in the Gospel being shared in local and distant communities. Matthew 28:18-20, Acts 1:8, Romans 15:20-21

Note: This Commitment of Christian Conduct shall be interpreted in light of "Application of the CVM Commitment of Christian Conduct" and other relevant policies as determined by the CVM Board of Trustees.