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The United Church of Christ chose Independence Day to have its general synod vote and affirm the Church's support for "equal marriage rights for couples, regardless of gender." It's the first mainline Christian denomination to support same-sex marriage. The vote was overwhelming and likely won't lead to the schisms that have rocked the Episcopal Church worldwide for its more ginger steps.

It's just the latest vanguard movement by UCC, which was among the first churches in America to condemn slavery (in 1700) and the first to ordain a woman in 1853.

And yes, the people who oppose equal rights for gays are the same people who opposed equal rights for women and equal rights for blacks. And they will be proven just as wrong and fifty years from now their opposition will seem a dim, silly memory.



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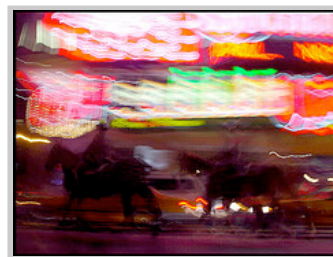
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