

Statement of Faith

The Holy Scriptures

The sole basis of our beliefs is the Bible, composed of 66 books in the Old Testament and New Testament. We believe the entire Bible originated with God, who used men as instruments to convey His message to the world. The Bible simultaneously speaks with the authority of God and reflects the backgrounds, styles and vocabularies of the human authors – that is, men writing through divine inspiration of God. We hold the Bible as infallible and God breathed in the original writings. They are the unique, full and final authority on all matters of faith and practice, and there are no other writings similarly inspired by God.

The Trinity

We believe there is one true, holy God, eternally existing in three persons – Father, Son and Holy Spirit – each equally possessing all the attributes of deity and the characteristics of personality. In the beginning God created the world and everything in it from nothing, manifesting the glory of His power, wisdom and goodness. By His power He continues to sustain creation. By His will He is operating through present, past and future to fulfil His redemptive purposes.

Jesus the Messiah

Jesus Christ is the eternal second person of the Trinity, who is united forever with a true human nature by a miraculous conception and virgin birth. He lived a life of perfect obedience to the Father and gave His life for the sins of the world by dying on the cross as their substitute. This act satisfied divine justice and accomplished salvation for everyone who trusts in Him alone. He arose from the dead in the same body, though glorified, in which He lived and died. He ascended into heaven, and sat down at the right hand of the Father, where He, the only mediator between God and man, continually makes intercession for His own. He shall come again to earth, personally and visibly to consummate history and eternal plan of God.

Baptism

We believe the Bible commands baptism for believers as a personal confession of faith and a commitment to a new life in Christ. It illustrates the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ, and for the believer the end of the old life and the start of a new life in Him.

The Holy Spirit

The Spirit of God is the third person of the trinity, and was active in creation, and then in the lives of the saints and prophets. Then when Jesus came He was baptised and fulfilled His ministry in the power of the Holy Spirit. As Jesus promised, after His death and ascension, He sent the Holy Spirit to indwell and empower the believers. Ever since, The Holy Spirit has been the One to make us realise we are sons of God and have the power for Christian living.

Salvation

The central purpose of God's revelation in Scripture is to call all people into fellowship with Him. Originally created to have fellowship with God, man defied God, choosing to go his independent way, and thus was alienated from God. The fall took place at the beginning of human history and all individuals since have suffered the consequences and are in need of the saving grace of God. The salvation of mankind is wholly a work of God's free grace, not the result, in whole or in part, of human works or goodness, and must be appropriated by faith in Christ and repentance from sin. When God has begun a saving work in the heart of any person, he gives assurance in His Word that He will continue performing it until the day of its full commission.

The Lord's Supper

We believe communion or the Lord's Supper is a symbolic act of obedience whereby believers, through the taking of bread and wine, memorialize the death and resurrection of the Redeemer and anticipate His Second Coming.

Gathering of Believers

The result of union with Jesus Christ is that believers become members of His body, the Church. There is one true Church universal, comprised of all those who acknowledge Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord. The Scripture commands believers to gather together to devote themselves to worship, prayer, the teaching of the Word, the observance of baptism and the Lord's supper, fellowship, service to the body through development and use of talents and gifts, and outreach to the world.

Faith and Practice

Scripture is the final authority in all matters of a faith and practice. This church recognizes that it cannot bind the conscience of individual members in areas where Scripture is silent. Rather, each believer is to be led in those areas by the Lord, to whom he or she alone is ultimately responsible.

