

Statement of Faith

Our Faith

We believe that the Bible is the very Word of God in its entirety and, therefore, is our authority in matters of faith and practice.

We believe in one God, creator of the universe, eternally existing in the persons of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

We believe that God wonderfully and immutably created human beings in His own image as male and female – two biologically distinct yet complementary sexes, different but with equal personal dignity – and that humans should affirm their biological sex and refrain from seeking to change, alter, or disagree with their biological sex; and, that all human life from conception through natural death is worthy of protection. We believe that God instituted and ordered marriage as a lifelong union between one man and one woman and that sexual intimacy outside of the covenant bond of marriage is contrary to God’s design and purpose. We believe that human beings were created innocent but rebelled against God resulting in the subjugation of the human race under the powers of sin and death. We believe that God offers redemption and restoration to all who confess and forsake their sin, seeking His mercy and forgiveness through Jesus Christ.

We believe that Jesus Christ was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, crucified for our sin, and raised from the dead for our justification in eternal victory. He is undiminished deity and genuine humanity in one person.

We believe that Jesus Christ ascended into Heaven to the right hand of God the Father and will one day return to this earth in power and glory.

We believe that the only means of being cleansed from sin is through repentance and faith in the precious blood of Jesus Christ, surrendering to Him as Lord and Savior.

We believe that the Holy Spirit is a personal Being who convicts the world of sin and who regenerates, indwells, empowers, guides, and seals believers eternally for God.

We believe that regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely necessary for the salvation of lost sinners, and those who receive the Lord Jesus Christ by faith are born again into the family of God.

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We believe that heaven is the abode and the place of eternal joy for the saved, and that hell is the place of eternal punishment for the lost.

We believe that the family of God is part of the visible church, and is the body of believers of which Christ is the head.

The Statement of Faith contains those doctrines to which Trinity unreservedly adheres and teaches. It is Trinity's desire to maintain this position. Although Trinity Christian Academy is a ministry of Tates Creek Presbyterian Church, students are not required to believe the denominational distinctives as set forth in the Westminster Confession of Faith; however, these matters may arise in classes and chapel services. This statement of faith also does not exhaust the extent of our beliefs. The Bible, as the inspired and authoritative Word of God, speaks with final authority concerning truth, morality, and the proper conduct of human affairs. For purposes of Trinity's faith, doctrine, practice, discipline, and policy, the Board under the authority and direction of the Session of Tates Creek Presbyterian Church is Trinity's final interpretive authority on the Bible's meaning and application.

In Essentials Unity: As an interdenominational community of Christian families, Trinity provides a place where Christians of diverse backgrounds and beliefs can learn and live and worship together on the basis of a shared commitment to the fundamental doctrines of the Christian faith as revealed in the Bible and summarized in the ancient creeds of the Church. Rather than "majoring on the minors" or focusing on doctrines that divide, we seek Christian common ground and emphasize what C.S. Lewis referred to as "Mere Christianity."

In Non-essentials Liberty: While we rally around the essentials, we also celebrate the diversity of Christian belief and practice among our students, parents, teachers, and administrators making our campus rich in Christian culture and character. We believe that our differences give us a chance to learn and grow. We desire to protect the inherent freedom of conscience and belief of individuals made in the image of God while fostering a distinctively Christian educational community where people are free to disagree. When controversial theological or cultural issues come up, they are addressed on an informative, non-partisan, and non-coercive level. We want to be sensitive to differences of belief and practice and careful not to give offense.

In All Things Charity: Christianity is about more than what you believe in your heart, it is about how you live your life. Scripture teaches that we are to be known as Christ-followers by our love. God's love and grace are so powerful they transform everything, making everything new. It is our desire to foster this kind of love and grace as a community and to demonstrate it in all that we do. At the heart of Trinity is a deep love of God, a sincere love for people, and an authentic love for the creation. "And now these three remain: faith, hope, and love. But the greatest of these is love (1 Cor. 13:13).