

- *Importance of this doctrine:* Salvation is not the end of a Christian's spiritual journey. God's desire is that we become like Christ in our character (Romans 8: 29, Galatians 5: 22—23). The role of the Holy Spirit is crucial for any believer who wishes to be an effective witness for Christ (Acts 1: 8). God's ability to heal reminds us that the Creator of our physical bodies has the power to restore them to health and wholeness whenever He wishes (Matthew 9:35, Hebrews 13: 8).

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- We believe in Christ's Lordship of the Church (He's the "Head"), the observance of the ordinances of Christian baptism by immersion, and the Lord's supper—both for believers.
- *Importance of this doctrine:* These ordinances embody the central message of the Christian faith. Baptism by immersion allows the believer to announce publicly that he is now a child of God who has personally identified with Jesus Christ and His death, burial and resurrection. Communion reminds the believer that his free gift of salvation comes through the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

- We believe in a literal heaven, where those who have received Christ will spend eternity with God, and in a literal hell where those who, sadly, have rejected Christ will spend eternity.
- *Importance of this doctrine:* In the struggles of life it is encouraging for the believer to know that the promise of heaven awaits them (John 14: 2—3). God is a loving God, and He is also a just and holy God. He cannot allow sin to go unpunished. The doctrine of hell reminds us that the "wages of sin is death" (Romans 6:23) and eternal separation from God for all who have not accepted God's gracious provision of salvation.

If there is anything we can do

or

**If you have any questions
please call the church office
and
ask for one of the pastors!**

Our Values and What We Believe



Missional Statement

To have passion for God and compassion for people.

CORE VALUES

1. We value helping people find faith in Jesus.
2. We value intimate relationship with God.
3. We value God's call to serve others.
4. We value every person reaching their potential in Christ.
5. We value loving and meaningful relationships.
6. We value the Holy Spirit's activity in the life of the Church.
7. We value a culture of encouragement and hope.
8. We value unity in the Body expressed in diversity.

Key Doctrines We Believe

- We believe the Holy Scriptures to be the divinely inspired, infallible (absolutely trustworthy), inerrant (free from error), and authoritative Word of God (II Timothy 3: 15—17, II Peter 1: 21).
- *Importance of this doctrine:* Without it, we have no dependable standard of truth on which to base our lives.
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- We believe that there is one God (Isaiah 43: 10—11) eternally existent in the three Persons of the Holy Trinity.
- *Importance of this doctrine:* To say that the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are three gods or three “modes” in which the one God has revealed Himself is contrary to the meaning and teaching of the Scriptures (Genesis 1:26, Matthew 1:21—23, 28:19, Luke 1:35, John 1:1, 2, 14 & 29, 5:17—18, 8:58—59, 10:31—33, 14:16—17, Acts 5:3—4).
- We believe in the virgin birth of the Lord Jesus Christ (Isaiah 7: 14, Matthew 1: 18), His deity (the fact that He is God—Micah 5: 2, John 1: 1 & 14), His sinless humanity and perfect life (Hebrews 7: 26, I Peter 2: 21—22), the eternal all-sufficiency of His death (II Corinthians 5: 21, I Peter 3: 18), His bodily resurrection (I Corinthians 15: 4 & 14), His literal ascension back to heaven (Acts 1: 9—11), and His personal coming again at some point in the future (Acts 1: 11, I Thessalonians 4: 16—17).
- *Importance of this doctrine:* If Jesus Christ is any less than the Scriptures clearly state, we have an insufficient Saviour, and the basis for our own salvation is taken away.
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- We believe that justification (to be put in right standing with God) is a judicial act of God on the believer's behalf solely on the merits of Christ, and that regeneration (receiving spiritual life) by the power of the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential for personal salvation (assurance of forgiveness of sin and the gift of eternal life with God), (Ephesians 1: 5—7, 2: 8—9, Isaiah 64: 6, Acts 4: 12, Titus 3: 4—5, Romans 6: 23).
- *Importance of this doctrine:* If our eternal salvation rests on anything but what Christ has done, we will forever wonder if we are doing enough to be accepted by God. Without the experience of God's grace, one's life is empty and without real meaning.
- We believe in holy living (I Peter 1:15—16), the present day reality of the baptism in the Holy Spirit according to Acts 2: 4, the gifts of the Holy Spirit, and the Lord's supernatural healing of the human body.