

# CROSSPOINTE COMMUNITY CHURCH



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## Statement of Faith

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## **WHAT WE BELIEVE ABOUT THE BIBLE**

We believe every word of the Bible-Genesis through Revelation-is the complete inspired Word of God as contained in the original manuscripts; that all parts of Scripture are equally inspired containing no contradictions; that the Scriptures are without error.

II Timothy 3:16-17 II Peter 1:20-21 Matthew 5:17-18 Hebrews 4:12

## **WHAT WE BELIEVE ABOUT GOD**

We believe in the one true God who created and rules the universe; who eternally exists in the three persons of the Trinity: Father, Son and the Holy Spirit - each co-eternal in being and co-identical in nature with co-equal power and glory.

Genesis 1:26 Deuteronomy 6:4 Matthew 3:13-17 Matthew 28:19

## **WHAT WE BELIEVE ABOUT GOD THE FATHER**

We believe God the Father is the Creator of all things; that He is the only absolute ruler in the universe; that He is sovereign in creation, providence and redemption; that He continually upholds, directs and governs all creatures; that He saves from sin all who come to Him through Jesus Christ; that He adopts as His own all those who come to Him.

Genesis 1:1, 31 Ephesians 3:9 Psalm 103:19 Romans 11:36 Ephesians 1:4-6 John 1:12

## **WHAT WE BELIEVE ABOUT THE LORD JESUS CHRIST**

We believe the Lord Jesus Christ is the eternal Son of God; that He became man without ceasing to be God; that He was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary; and that He lived a sinless life so that He could reveal God and redeem sinful men.

John 1:1-2, 14 Philippians 2:6-11 Isaiah 7:14 Luke 1:26-35 Hebrews 4:15

We believe the Lord Jesus Christ redeemed Christ-followers through His death on the cross as our representative and substitute sacrifice and that we are justified by His grace through redemption.

I Peter 1:24 II Corinthians 5:21 John 10:15 Ephesians 1:7 I Peter 1:3-5

We believe the Lord Jesus Christ rose from the dead and ascended to heaven; that He is now exalted at the right hand of the Father where He is our high priest; He is our representative, intercessor and advocate; that He is the head of the church; and that His return for the church could happen at any moment.

I Corinthians 15:1-6 Romans 8:34 Acts 1:9-11 Acts 2:32-34 Hebrews 4:14-16 I Timothy 2:5

## **WHAT WE BELIEVE ABOUT THE HOLY SPIRIT**

We believe the Holy Spirit is co-equal with the Father and the Son; that He is the person who convicts the world of sin, righteousness and judgment; that He is the supernatural agent in regeneration who baptizes all Christ-followers into the body of Christ; that He indwells and seals Christ-followers; that He gives them power to serve; that He is the divine counselor who guides Christ-followers into all truth; that it is a privilege and responsibility of each Christ-follower to be filled/controlled by Him; and that He is the initiator of spiritual fruit and life change.

Acts 5:3-4 John 16:8-11 John 3:3-7 Titus 3:5-7 I Corinthians 12:12-14 Romans 8:11 Ephesians 1:13-14  
Ephesians 5:18 Acts 1:8 Galatians 5:16, 22-23, 25 John 16:7, 13

## **WHAT WE BELIEVE ABOUT MANKIND**

We believe man was created in the image of God, but that through Adam's sin, he inherited a sinful nature and the consequences of both a physical and spiritual death - conscious and eternal separation from God; and that man is totally depraved and on his own is utterly unable to remedy his lost condition.

Genesis 1:26-27 Romans 5:18 Romans 5:12 Romans 3:10-23 Ephesians 2:1-3, 12 Jeremiah 17:9 Romans 6:23  
Romans 8:5, 8 I Corinthians 2:14 Romans 8:13 John 3:36

## **WHAT WE BELIEVE ABOUT SALVATION**

We believe salvation is a gift from God given by grace to man; that it is received by man through personal faith in the Lord Jesus Christ who shed His blood on the cross for the forgiveness of our sins; that there is nothing we can pay for the removal of our sins; that our sins cannot be forgiven because of our good works; and that once a person has been regenerated, he is kept by God's power and is therefore secure in Christ forever.

Romans 6:23 Romans 10:9-10 Romans 10:13 John 1:12 John 3:18 Ephesians 1:7  
I Peter 1:18-19 Colossians 2:13-14 Ephesians 2:8-9 Romans 8:1, 38-39 John 10:27-30  
I Corinthians 1:8 Ephesians 4:30

We believe every Christ-follower possesses two natures; and that through the power of the indwelling Holy Spirit, provision is made for victory of the new nature over the old sinful nature; that all claims to the complete destruction of the old nature in this life are unscriptural; and that a true Christ-follower develops the character and priorities of Jesus. The Bible identifies this process as practical sanctification.

Romans 8:1-2 Romans 8:12-13 Romans 6:13 II Peter 2:10 Ephesians 4:22-24 Colossians 3:1-11 Galatians 5:16-17, 25 I Thessalonians 4:3-8 Philippians 2:5-11 Ephesians 2:10

We believe salvation includes the forgiveness of all sins: past, present, and future; that the Christ-follower has a perfect standing before God; and that our physical bodies will be changed when Christ returns for His church. We believe in the bodily resurrection of all men – the Christ-follower to eternal life with God and the lost to judgment and everlasting torment.

Colossians 2:13-14 I Corinthians 1:2 I Corinthians 6:11 Philippians 3:20-21 John 5:28-29 John 11:25-26 Romans 20:11-13

## **WHAT WE BELIEVE ABOUT THE CHURCH**

We believe the universal church, which is the Bride of Christ, is a spiritual organism made up of all Christ-followers who are immediately placed into the body of Christ when they place their faith in Jesus Christ; and that Christ is the recognized supreme authority over the church.

Matthew 16:16-18 I Corinthians 12:12-13 Ephesians 1:22-23 Ephesians 5:23-27

We believe the local church is composed of a local group of Christ-followers who seek to follow and become like Jesus together.

I Corinthians 1:2 I Thessalonians 1:1 Philippians 1:2 Acts 20:17-36

We believe the local church is composed of Christ-followers who are organized and have Pastors, Elders, Deacons and other leaders who rely upon God for direction and power to lead.

Ephesians 4:11-13 | Timothy 3:1, 8 | Titus 1:5-9

We believe the local church is composed of Christ-followers who value discipleship and evangelism; and that they meet together regularly for teaching, prayer, encouragement, fellowship, worship, giving, equipping, works of service, and advancement of the Gospel.

Matthew 28:19-20 | Timothy 2:2 | Acts 2:23-24 | Romans 15:5-6 | Acts 2:42-47  
II Corinthians 8:1-7 | Ephesians 4:12-16 | I Corinthians 15:58 | Acts 1:8

We believe the local church is composed of Christ-followers who observe the ordinances of the communion and baptism.

I Corinthians 11:23-26 | Matthew 26:20-29 | Matthew 28:18-20 | Acts 8:36-39

We believe the local church is comprised of Christ-followers who are intentionally relying on God to carry out the Great Commission.

Matthew 28:18-20 | I Corinthians 16:8-9 | Galatians 2:8

## **WHAT WE BELIEVE ABOUT SPIRITUAL GIFTS**

We believe God is sovereign in giving spiritual gifts; and that each Christ-follower has at least one spiritual gift that was given for the purpose of building the body of Christ.

I Corinthians 12:1-7 | Ephesians 4:7-12 | Romans 12:4-8 | I Peter 4:10-11

## **WHAT WE BELIEVE ABOUT PURITY AND GODLINESS**

We believe because Christ-followers are motivated by their love for God and they should live in ways that bring glory to their Lord and Savior, that Christ-followers are to live their lives based upon the teachings of the Word of God; that each Christ-follower is to live a pure and holy life, a fruit-filled life; and a life of ministry.

I John 3:1-3 | I John 5:2-3 | I Peter 2:12 | II Timothy 3:16-17 | I Thessalonians 4:7-8 | Ephesians 4:22-24 | I John 2:15-17 | Galatians 5:22-23 | Ephesians 4:13-16

## **WHAT WE BELIEVE ABOUT EXISTENCE AFTER DEATH**

We believe at death, the spirit of each redeemed Christ-follower is absent from the body and present with the Lord, where in conscious joy they await the first resurrection when their spirit and their resurrected body are reunited and glorified forever with the Lord; and that each Christ-follower will appear before the judgment seat of Christ to receive rewards for serving Him.

II Corinthians 5:6-8 | Philippians 1:23 | Philippians 3:21 | Luke 23:43 | I Thessalonians 4:16-17 | II Corinthians 5:10

We believe after death the spirit of each lost individual remains in conscious misery in Hell until the second resurrection when their spirit and body will be reunited; and that each lost person will appear before Christ at the Great White Throne Judgment and then be cast into the lake of fire, not to be annihilated, but to suffer everlasting conscious torment.

Luke 16:19-26 | Matthew 25:41-46 | II Thessalonians 1:7-9 | Jude 6-7 | Revelation 20:11-15

## **WHAT WE BELIEVE ABOUT SATAN AND FALLEN ANGELS**

We believe Satan is a real supernatural being (as opposed to only being a “concept”); that he was created as an angel, but sinned and became the arch enemy of God and His creation; that he is the chief adversary of Christ-followers; and that he seeks to keep the lost from becoming Christ-followers and when he cannot succeed, he seeks to weaken the testimony of Christ-followers; that he has at his command a great host of fallen angels (demons) to carry out his purpose; that he is not omnipotent and can be overcome by the power of God; and that his doom is sealed in the lake of fire forever and ever.

Matthew 4:1-11 Revelation 12:1-10 Job 1:6-7 II Corinthians 4:3-4 II Corinthians 2:11 Ephesians 6:11 Romans 16:20 Revelation 20:10

## **WHAT WE BELIEVE ABOUT THE SECOND COMING OF CHRIST**

We believe in the physical, actual return of Christ for His church; that this will transpire before the Great Tribulation, and that at the end of the Great Tribulation Christ will return to the earth to establish His millennial reign.

I Thessalonians 4:13-18 I Thessalonians 1:10 Revelation 19:11-16 Revelation 20:1-6