

# STATEMENT OF FAITH

As part of the enrollment process we ask that each family prayerfully read and affirm our statement of faith. Please have one parent/legal guardian sign the statement below.

**We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are infallible; verbally inspired by God, inerrant in the original writings and that they are of supreme and final authority in faith and life.**

(Deut. 4:1-2; Ps. 19:7-10; 119:11, 89, 105; Isa. 40:8; Mt. 5:17-18; Lk. 21:33; II Tim. 3:15-17; II Peter 1:19-21)

**We believe in one God, eternally existing in three Persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.** (Gen. 1:1; Ex. 3:14; 20:1ff; Deut. 6:4; Mt. 28:19; Mk. 1:9-11; Jn. 4:24; 14:6-13)

**We believe God created man in His own image as male and female and is therefore worthy of value and respect. However every man is a sinner by nature and choice and is spiritually dead and alienated from God. In and of himself man is incapable of redeeming his lost and depraved condition.**

(Gen. 1:26-30; 2:5,7,18-22; Ps. 8:3-6; 32:1-5; 51:5; Acts 17:26-31; Rom. 1:19-32; 3:10-18,23; 7:14-25)

**We believe that God wonderfully and immutably creates each person as male or female. These two distinct, complementary genders together reflect the image and nature of God.** (Genesis 1:26-27)

**Rejection of one's biological sex is a rejection of the image of God with that person. We affirm God's design for gender as determined by biological sex and not by self-perception and we oppose all efforts to validate transgender identity.**

**We believe that the term of "marriage" has only one meaning: the uniting of one man and one woman in a single, exclusive union, as delineated in Scripture.** (Genesis 2:18-25) **We believe that God intends sexual intimacy to occur only between a man and a woman who are married to each other.** (I Corinthians 6:18, 7:2-5; Hebrews 13:4) **We believe that God has commanded that no intimate sexual activity be engaged in outside of a marriage between a man and a woman.**

**We believe that sexual activity between same sex couples is an abomination** (Lev. 18:22; Romans 1:26-27). **We believe the body is not mean for sexual immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body** (I Cor. 6:13b).

**We believe that Jesus Christ was begotten by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary and is fully God and fully man.** (Ps. 2:7ff; 110:1ff; Mt. 1:18-23; 11:27; Lk. 1:26-38; Jn. 1:1-18,29; Col. 1:13-22; Heb. 1:1-3)

**We believe that the sinless Lord Jesus died for the sins of all mankind as a substitutionary sacrifice, was buried and raised again on the third day in bodily form and ascended to the Father. All who repent and believe in Christ are born again of the Holy Spirit and by His grace are justified through His shed blood.** (Gen. 3:15; Isa. 53; Mt.1:21; 16:21-26; Jn. 1:11-14,29; Rom. 1:16-18; 5:8-10; 6:1-23; 2<sup>nd</sup> Cor. 5:17-20; Gal. 2:20; Eph. 2:8-22; Col. 1:9-22)

**We believe that Christ will personally return and set up His kingdom, wherein He will rule and reign in righteousness.** (Mt. 16:27; 4:27,30,36,44; Jn. 14:1-3; I Cor. 15:24-28, 35-58; Rev. 20:11-22:13)

**We believe in the bodily resurrection of the just to eternal life in Heaven and the unjust to eternal damnation in Hell.** (Mk. 9:43-48; Lk. 16:19-26; 17:22-37; Acts 17:31; Rom. 14:10; I Cor. 15:35-58; Heb. 9:27-28; Rev. 20:1-22:13)

**We believe in the present indwelling ministry of the Holy Spirit to equip and empower all Christians to become more like Christ.** (Gen. 1:2; Mt. 3:16; 12:28-32; Jn. 14:16-17, 26; 15:26; 16:7-14; Acts 1:8; 2:1-4, 38; Rom. 8:1-16, 26-27; 1<sup>st</sup> Cor. 2:10-14; Gal. 5:22-23; Eph. 5:18)

**We believe that Christ loved the church and gave Himself for her and is the Head of the church. Therefore, all believers are joined to His body and should unite in worship, fellowship and the ministry of the Gospel through a local church.** (Matt. 16:15-19; Acts 2:41-47; I Cor. 3:16-17; chapters 12-14; Eph. 1:22, 23; 2:21, 22; 5:22-32; Rev. 2 & 3)

We (I) by signing below affirm my belief in the above Statement of Faith and recognize that my child(ren) will be instructed by LCA in accordance with this faith statement.

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Parent's/Legal Guardian's signature

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Date

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