

### Statement of Faith

1. We believe in the God the Father who created this world and everything in it. God is eternal and as Father, Son, Holy Spirit the triune God of love. In his providence He reigns over everything, not only over the spiritual reality, but also the material reality. Through everything he created he reveals His truth, justice, holiness, goodness, and beauty. (God, trinity, creation, providence)
2. Man was made in God's image and to live in fellowship with Him. Man was called to rule the world according to His will, but through sinning man was separated from God worshipping anything but God. However, God in his love for fallen and lost people poured out his common grace upon both those who are good and those are bad. (man, the Fall, sin, grace)
3. Christ is God's only Son. He is fully God who became fully man and mankind's savior. Based on God's covenant of grace, Jesus Christ died on the cross as substitute, and accomplished the redemption of mankind. On the third day He rose from the dead, ascended to heaven, sits on the right hand of God the Father to intercede also now as King over all.
4. The Spirit, who is God and brings about the redemption God has accomplished in Jesus Christ, in other words through saving those who believe the gospel proclaiming the coming of His Kingdom. Led by the Spirit those who repent and believe in Christ are granted forgiveness of their sins and eternal life. The Spirit works through the Word of God, gives spiritual gifts to people, and brings about restoration of the heart, renewal of community, and the establishment of Gods Kingdom. (Spirit, Gospel, faith, repentance, gifts)
5. Based on God's covenant of grace the church is the community of people who are called together through the Gospel. The church is the body of Christ serving God and his world with the spiritual gifts it received. In order for this world to be renewed and God's Kingdom to be established the church fulfils Christ's Great Commission by worship accompanied with the sacraments of baptism and communion, Gospel evangelism, serving, teaching of the Word, and fellowship. (church, the body of Christ, Great Commission)
6. Christ will return in glory to judge all and to bring to fullness God's Kingdom. Therefore we look forward to the return of Christ, the fullness of God's Kingdom, and the bodily resurrection. We walk on this earth with the world view of the Kingdom that will come shortly. (our hope, Christ's return, bodily resurrection, God's judgment, fullness of God's Kingdom)

\* We accept the historical creeds of the Westminster Confession of Faith, Larger and Shorter Catechism.