

Essential Tenets of the EPC

The Triune God Makes Himself Known

We believe in one God, the sovereign Creator and Sustainer of all things, infinitely perfect and eternally existing in three Persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. To Him be all honor, glory and praise forever!

The Bible

All Scripture is self-attesting and being Truth, requires our unreserved submission in all areas of life. The infallible Word of God, the sixty-six books of the Old and New Testaments, is a complete and unified witness to God's redemptive acts culminating in the incarnation of the Living Word, the Lord Jesus Christ. The bible, uniquely and fully inspired by the Holy Spirit, is the supreme and final authority on all matters on which it speaks. On this sure foundation we affirm these additional Essential of our faith:

The Person and Work of Jesus

Jesus Christ, the living Word, became flesh through His miraculous conception by the Holy Spirit and His virgin birth. He who is true God became true man united in one Person forever. He died on the cross a sacrifice for our sins according to the Scriptures. On the third day He arose bodily from the dead, ascended into heaven, where, at the right hand of the Majesty on High, He now is our High Priest and Mediator.

The Work of the Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit has come to glorify Christ and to apply the saving work of Christ to our hearts. He convicts us of sin and draws us to the Savior. Indwelling our hearts, He gives new life to us, empowers and imparts gifts to us for service. He instructs and guides us into all truth, and seals us for the day of redemption.

Our Need

Being estranged from God and condemned by our sinfulness, our salvation is wholly dependent upon the work of God's free grace. God credits His righteousness to those who put their faith in Christ alone for their salvation, thereby justifies them in His sight. Only such as are born of the Holy Spirit and received Jesus Christ become children of God and heirs of eternal life.

The Church

The true Church is composed of all persons who through saving faith in Jesus Christ and the sanctifying work of the Holy Spirit are united together in the body of Christ. The Church finds her visible, yet imperfect, expression in local congregations where the Word of God is preached in its purity and the sacraments are administered in their integrity; where scriptural discipline is practiced, and where loving fellowship is maintained. For her perfecting, she awaits the return of her Lord.

Come Lord Jesus

Jesus Christ will come again to the earth-personally, visibly, and bodily – to judge the living and the dead, and to consummate history and the eternal plan of God. 'Even so, come, Lord Jesus.' (Rev. 22:20)

Our Mission

The Lord Jesus Christ commands all believers to proclaim the Gospel throughout the world and to make disciples of all nations. Obedience to the Great Commission requires total commitment to 'Him who loved us and gave Himself for us,' He calls us to a life of self-denying love and service. 'For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.' (Eph. 2:10)

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"Join us for a drink of Living Water"



February 2, 2025

We welcome you to the worship of God Almighty this Lord's Day. It is our intention to bring glory and honor to Him. God enters our time of worship and we remember this time belongs to Him. Your Worship Commission

**Please stand, if you are able.*

Nursery for children infant to 4 yrs. old is available upstairs in the Christian Education Wing (please see Usher for directions)

Meditation

For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

~ Hebrews 4:12 (ESV)

Westminster Chimes and Announcements

(During announcements, we ask members and visitors to please sign the Friendship Register and pass it on. Send them back down your row so you can note who is worshipping with you today. We invite visitors to give us your complete address.)

Opening Prayer

Prelude

'Lamb of God'

~ McHugh

****Call to Worship (From Psalm 95:6-9 ESV) Shirley Bardes Hasson, Lay Assistant***

Leader: Come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

Congregation: For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

Leader: Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah, as on the day at Massah in the wilderness,

Congregation: when your fathers put me to the test and put me to the proof, though they had seen my work.

***Praise and Worship**

*‘Mighty to Save’
‘King of Kings’*

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession *(In unison)*

Lord we seek your Mercy. Your Word reminds us of your promises of your great love, your protection, and the good things your grace affords. Yet we struggle to believe it and live as though we had to gain everything by our own efforts. We neglect prayer and fail to trust. We are entrapped by sin and use sinful means to gain what we need, feeling we must choose a “lesser of two evils”. We fear that we do not have the time to hear your voice and follow your way. Therefore we sin. Forgive our sins and teach us to use the gifts of prayer and Sabbath, and of your Word and Spirit, to hear your voice and do your will. Amen . . .(silent prayers of confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Congregation Response: Thanks be to God!

***Gloria Patri**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be world without end. Amen.

***Affirmation of Faith**

The Apostle’s Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into Heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Scripture Readings

Deuteronomy 1:26-46

Hebrews 4:1-13

Leader: The Word of the Lord ~
People: Thanks be to God ~

LG. PRINT #274/ pew #126
LG. PRINT/NEW ED. #249
LG. PRINT #1865/ pew #847
LG. PRINT/NEW ED. #1824

Sermon

‘Not Just A Little Unbelief’ *Rev. Mark Simonds*
“Building On The Foundation” A Series on the Letter to the Hebrews

Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer

“Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.”

Communion Hymn No. 342

‘Just As I Am’

(verses 1, 4, 5)

Communion

Offertory

‘Gentle Shepherd’

~ Gaither

***Doxology** Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Dedication of Offering**

***Dismissing Hymn No. 201**

‘Grace Greater Than Our Sin’

(verses 1 & 4)

***Benediction**

Postlude

‘There Is Power in the Blood’

~ Jones

*We’re glad you joined us for worship today! Thank you for placing the Bibles,
hymnals and attendance books back on the chairs.*

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