

OUR CORE BELIEFS

At Centenary Church, we believe...

IN GOD...

The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit – the one and only true God, three persons dwelling in perfect oneness for all eternity. **(Deuteronomy 5:6-7, Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 28:19, 1 Peter 1:2, Revelation 1:8)**

IN GOD THE FATHER...

The Creator of Heaven and Earth and Giver of Life, ever-present, all-knowing and all-powerful. **(Genesis 1:1-2:2, Psalm 139:1-10, Psalm 147:5, Revelation 19:6)**

IN GOD THE SON...

Christ Jesus is our Lord and Savior, fully God and fully man, through whose physical death and bodily resurrection our sins are forgiven and we receive eternal life, and through whom we can have a personal relationship with God. **(Matthew 1:21, Mark 1:10-11, John 3:16, 34-36)**

IN GOD THE HOLY SPIRIT...

God's Spirit lives within every believer, uniting us as the one Body of Christ, and guiding and empowering us to live a lifestyle of good works as we respond to God's grace. **(John 14:16-17, John 16:13)**

IN SALVATION...

We are sinners from birth who are saved only by grace through faith in Jesus Christ, not by anything we do. **(Ephesians 2:8-9, Titus 3:5, 1 John 5:11-12,)**

IN THE BIBLE...

The Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the inspired and perfect Word of God, and are and always will be the final authority for life and faith. **(Joshua 1:8, 2 Timothy 3: 16-17)**

IN THE GREAT COMMANDMENT...

We are called to love God with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength, and to love our neighbors as ourselves. **(Matthew 22:37-39, Mark 12: 30-31)**

IN THE GREAT COMMISSION...

We are called to share the Truth of Jesus Christ in word and action in our home, neighborhood, community, nation and world. **(Matthew 28:19-20, Acts 1:8)**

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OUR VALUES

At the center of our values are **OUR CORE BELIEFS** about God, Jesus Christ, the Holy Spirit, salvation, the Bible, the Great Commandment, the Great commission and the reason we were created. All our values stem from these core beliefs, and serve as a model for how we serve God and Jesus Christ as the Centenary Church Family.

WELCOMING: We welcome and value people of all ages and generations, all races and ethnicities, all backgrounds and stations in life, and all levels of spiritual maturity.

RESPECT: We will treat each other with loving care, consideration, compassion and courtesy, and will seek to resolve differences and disagreements with civility.

INTEGRITY: We value honesty inside and out, and will act in ways consistent with our words and beliefs, and deal with each other with sincerity and directness.

TRUST: We believe that we can be truthful and transparent with one another, without fear of attack, aggression, condemnation or retaliation.

COMMUNICATION: We strive to share openly, freely and completely any and all information, feedback and feelings that can help strengthen our church, advance our mission and achieve our goals.

COMMITMENT: We are dedicated to God, to each other, to Centenary and to the cause of Christ, and will pursue our beliefs, purpose and calling with courage, strength and perseverance.

ONENESS: We believe we are better together, and guided by shared beliefs, values and goals we will work cooperatively, collaboratively to serve and share Christ with our church family, community and world.

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