

Statement of Faith

Community Bible Church is committed to the principle, “No creed but Christ.” Therefore, these Articles of Faith are meant to affirm our belief in key issues of biblical doctrine.

- We believe in one God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit (Matthew 5:16, 45; 6:1, 4, 8, 9; James 1:17; John 1:1; 14:9; Genesis 1:2; John 4:24; 14:16-20; 2 Peter 1:21).
- We believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator of all things visible and invisible (Genesis 1:1; Acts 17:24-28; Hebrews 11:3).
- We believe in Jesus Christ, God’s one and only Son, my one and only Savior (John 1:14; 1 John 4:9; John 3:16; 2 Peter 3:18),
 1. Who was born both fully human and fully divine, conceived of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, lived a sinless life (Matthew 21:11; John 19:19; John 1:14; Romans 5:15-17; Colossians 2:9; 1 John 1:1; Matthew 1:18; Luke 1:26-38),
 2. Who suffered and was crucified (Luke 23:1-46),
 3. Who died and was buried, and Who rose again bodily from the dead on the third day (Luke 23:44, 24:8; John 20:24-29; 1 Corinthians 15:3-8),
 4. Who ascended into Heaven and now sits at the right hand of the Father, (Luke 22:69; Acts 1:1-9; Colossians 3:1),
 5. and Who will return to earth to judge both the living and the dead (Matthew 24:36-42; John 14:1-3; Acts 1: 10-11; 10:39-42; 1 Peter 4:5).
- We believe in the Holy Spirit Who is a personal and active part of the triune God, (John 16:5-15; Acts 1:7-8; Romans 8:26-27), and Who indwells every Christian (1 Corinthians 3:16; 6:19; 2 Timothy 1:14).
- We believe in the Bible – God’s Holy Word as inspired Scripture (Mark 12:36; John 14:26; 16:12-15; Acts 1:16; 1 Corinthians 2:12-13; 2 Timothy 3:14-16; 2 Peter 1:20-21).
- We accept the Bible as the final authority for all matters of faith and practice (Isaiah 40:8; Matthew 5:18; 24:35; Romans 15:4; Hebrews 4:12).
- We believe that people created by God willfully sin against God and are consequently lost and without hope apart from Jesus Christ (Acts 4:12; Romans 3:23).
- We believe that salvation – the forgiveness of sins – cannot be earned, but is given to us only through the blood of Jesus Christ and by God’s grace (Matthew 26:28; Romans 5:1-11; 6:23; Ephesians 2:8-10; Hebrews 10:19-22; 1 Peter 1:18, 19; 1 John 1:7).
- We believe that we must respond to God by admitting our sin and our need for God’s grace (Romans 3:23; Titus 3:3-7), believing and confessing the truth about Jesus (Matthew 10:32; Romans 10:9, 10) turning away from sin (repenting – Luke 24:45-47; Acts 3:19; 17:30), trusting Jesus as Savior and Lord (Romans 10:11-13; Philippians 2:11), and being baptized (immersed in water) into Christ (Acts 2:38; Romans 6:1-4).

- We believe in the church of Jesus Christ, founded on the Day of Pentecost, consisting of all Christians everywhere (Matthew 16:13-18; Acts 2:14-47).
- We affirm the early church's practice of celebrating the Lord's Supper as a proclamation of the death, burial and resurrection of Christ (Acts 2:42; 20:7; I Corinthians 11:24-30).
- We affirm the principle of Christian stewardship and practice tithing as an essential habit of a fruitful life and ministry. (Leviticus 27:30; Malachi 3:8-10; Luke 6:38)
- We affirm that Marriage has been ordained by God. This church defines "marriage" as the exclusive covenantal union of one man and one woman in which such union is a lifetime commitment. A civil government's sanction of a union will be recognized as a legitimate marriage by this church only to the extent that it is consistent with the definition of "marriage" found in these Articles of Faith (Genesis 2:24; Malachi 2:10-16; Matthew 19:1-12; Hebrews 13:4).
- We also affirm that legitimate sexual relations are exercised solely within marriage. Sexual activities outside of marriage (referred to in the New Testament as "porneia" – including but not limited to adultery, premarital sex, homosexuality and pedophilia are inconsistent with the teachings of the Bible and the Church. Lascivious conduct, transgender behavior and the creation, distribution and/or viewing of pornography are incompatible with the biblical witness (Matthew 19:4-6; Hebrews 13:4; 1 Timothy 1:5-11; Mark 7:20-23; 1 Corinthians 6:13-20; Jude 1:7).
- We believe in the church's mission: making disciples of all nations, baptizing them and teaching them to obey all of Jesus' commands (Matthew 28:18-20).