

Storrington Chapel - Statement of Faith

We accept the Holy Scriptures, as originally given, as the infallible Word of God, of Divine Inspiration (the breath of God - 2 Tim 3:16). We recognize them as our sole authority in all matters of faith and practice. We absolutely believe the doctrines taught therein, including in particular the following:-

- We believe in the only True and Living God, the Holy Trinity of Divine Persons in perfect unity. Father, Son and Holy Spirit, each of whom is co-equal and co-eternal, and Sovereign in creation, providence and redemption.
- We believe in the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ who is holy, righteous, and full of grace, mercy, compassion and love. In His infinite love He sent his only Son, that the world through Him might be saved.
- We believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, the Incarnate Son of God, whose true humanity and full deity were mysteriously and really joined in the unity of His divine person. We believe in His virgin birth; in His perfect life and teaching; in His substitutionary atoning death on the cross, where He triumphed over Satan, sin and death; in His bodily resurrection and ascension into heaven, where He now sits in glory at the right hand of God.
- We believe in the Holy Spirit, the third Person of the Godhead, whose work is indispensable to regenerate the sinner and lead him or her to repentance, faith in Christ, sanctification and fellowship with God in this present life. The indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit is essential to both the individual Christian and the Church's power and effectiveness in ministry.
- We believe that as a result of the Fall all men, women and children are sinful by nature. Sin pollutes and controls them, infects every part of their being, renders them guilty in the sight of a holy God and subject to the penalty which, in His wrath and condemnation, He has decreed against it.
- We believe that only through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, whose death was a perfect oblation and satisfaction for our sins, the sinner is freely justified by God, who, instead of reckoning to us our sins, reckons Christ's righteousness to our account. Salvation is therefore by grace and not by human merit.
- We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ will return personally, visibly and gloriously to this earth, to receive His saints to Himself and to be seen of all men. As the righteous Judge, He will divide all men into two, and only two, categories the saved and the lost. Those whose faith is in Christ will be saved eternally, and will enter into the joy of their Lord, sharing with Him in His inheritance in Heaven. The unbelieving will be condemned by Him to Hell, where eternally they will be punished for their sins under the righteous judgement of God.