

Gloucester Point Baptist Church

Statement of Faith*

As Baptists it has often been said we have no creed but the Bible. This is true, for Baptists have preferred to have confessions of what we believe dating back to 1644. The focus of a creed is on whom we believe. Since we hold the Bible as our creed, it is important to know what we confess to as a community of believers. Each week we highlight a different aspect of our statement of faith/confession, with a brief, simplified explanation at the bottom.

II. GOD

There is one and only one living and true God. He is an intelligent, spiritual, and personal Being, the Creator, Redeemer, Preserver, and Ruler of the universe. God is infinite in holiness and all other perfections. God is all powerful and all knowing; and His perfect knowledge extends to all things, past, present, and future, including the future decisions of His free creatures. To Him we owe the highest love, reverence, and obedience. The eternal triune God reveals Himself to us as a Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, with distinct personal attributes, but without division of nature, essence, or being.

A. God The Father

God as Father reigns with providential care over His universe, His creatures, and the flow of the stream of human history according to the purposes of His grace. He is all powerful, all knowing, all loving, and all wise. God is Father in truth to those who become children of God through faith in Jesus Christ. He is fatherly in His attitude toward all men.

[Genesis 1:1; 2:7; Exodus 3:14; 6:2-3; 15:11ff.; 20:1ff.;](#)
[Leviticus 22:2; Deuteronomy 6:4; 32:6; 1 Chronicles 29:10;](#)
[Psalm 19:1-3; Isaiah 43:3,15; 64:8; Jeremiah 10:10; 17:13;](#)
[Matthew 6:9ff.; 7:11; 23:9; 28:19; Mark 1:9-11;](#)
[John 4:24; 5:26; 14:6-13; 17:1-8; Acts 1:7; Romans 8:14-15;](#)
[1 Corinthians 8:6; Galatians 4:6; Ephesians 4:6; Colossians 1:15;](#)
[1 Timothy 1:17; Hebrews 11:6; 12:9; 1 Peter 1:17; 1 John 5:7.](#)

What does this mean?

God is the Creator and Ruler of the universe. He has eternally existed in these persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. These three are co-equal and are God.

The Father – He is all-powerful, all-knowing, all-loving, and all-wise. He reigns with providential care over the universe, and human history flows according to His purpose and plan.

***Adapted from the Southern Baptist Convention Baptist Faith & Message 2000**

Simplified - gpbc.church/what-we-believe

Full Statement of Faith - gpbc.church/doctrinal-statement.

Welcome To Gloucester Point Baptist Church



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Director of Music
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Ministers

We thank God you are here and hope you get to know Jesus by receiving His love and His church's ministries. Please fill out a "Welcome or C.A.R.E. Card" & place it in the offering plate.

11:00 am

WORSHIP

July 9, 2023

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP * 390 vs. 1–3 "We Are Called to Be God's People"
HYMN OF PRAISE * 216 vs. 1–4 "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS Bill Breeden, Deacon
MINISTRIES/PRAYER Pastor Dillon Evans

ANTHEM Chancel Choir

PARALLEL SCRIPTURE : Proverbs 16:6-9 Ella Evans

HYMN OF OFFERING * 382 vs. 1 & 3 "God, the Father of Your People"

OFFERTORY PRAYER Bill Breeden, Deacon

OFFERING
DOXOLOGY * Hymn 253

SCRIPTURE: * Acts 5:12-42 Pastor Dillon Evans
MESSAGE: "Blessings and Burden"

HYMN OF INVITATION * 210 "My Jesus, I Love Thee"
(please use your hymnals)

CLOSING PRAYER Pastor Dillon Evans
CLOSING CHORUS * 521 (chorus) "On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand"

"As you go, make disciples..." Matthew 28:19
Pray, call, visit, minister, witness with members and others.

POSTLUDE Please take this time to greet one another

*Congregation Stands

CLOSING CHORUS # 521
"On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand"

I am bound for the promised land,
I am bound for the promised land;
O who will come and go with me?
I am bound for the promise land.

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SERMON NOTES:

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