

Foremost, we are a Christian church, expressing our faith and salvation in the person and work of Jesus Christ. We are also a Baptist congregation, expressing our Christianity through these historic Baptist principles:

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### Soul Freedom

We believe in the priesthood of all believers. We affirm the freedom and responsibility of every person to relate directly to God without the imposition of creed or the control of clergy or government.

### Bible Freedom

We believe in the authority of Scripture. We believe the Bible, under the Lordship of Christ, is central to the life of the individual and the church.

We affirm the freedom and right of every Christian to interpret and apply scripture under the leadership of the Holy Spirit.

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### Church Freedom

We believe in the autonomy of every local church. We believe Baptist churches are free, under the Lordship of Christ, to determine their membership and leadership, to order their worship and work, to ordain whomever they perceive as gifted for ministry and to participate as they deem appropriate in the larger Body of Christ.

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### Religious Freedom

We believe in freedom of religion, freedom for religion, and freedom from religion. We support the separation of church and state.