

Marion Church of Christ Core Beliefs

This Church is intended to be a family of believers, in unity with Jesus Christ and ultimately presented to Him as a pure Bride and true to the Bible. The following statements describe our fundamental beliefs:

We believe:

In one God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Matthew 3: 16-17, John 14: 9-10

God is the creator of all people and all things.

Genesis 1:1, Acts 17:24-28

That Jesus Christ is God's only Son, the Saviour of the world and the Head of the Church.

John 3:16, Matthew 1: 18-21, Colossians 1: 12-23

The Holy Spirit lives in every Christian, and actively works in the world to convict people of sin, righteousness and judgement to come.

John 16:5-15, Romans 8: 1-14

The Bible is the inspired Word of God and the final authority for all matters of faith.

Romans 15:4, Hebrews 4:13, 2 Timothy 3:16

That every person has worth as a creation of God, but that all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

Romans 3:23, 1 John 1:7

That salvation (the forgiveness of sin) is offered to all people and comes only by grace through the blood of Jesus Christ (His death on the cross) and his resurrection from the dead.

Matthew 26:28, Romans 5:8-11, Ephesians 2:8-9, 1 Cor. 15:1-4

The Bible teaches that the pattern to follow to receive Jesus as Saviour is to believe in Jesus Christ as God's Son and Saviour of the world, to repent of personal sin, to confess Jesus Christ as Lord and to be baptised by immersion into Jesus Christ.

John 20: 30-31, Acts 2:38, Romans 10:9, Romans 6:1-7

In the weekly observance of the Lord's Supper, in which the Christian community remembers Jesus Christ and celebrates the relationship they have with Him and with each other.

Luke 22:14-20, 1 Cor. 11:23-26

That the Church is the body and the bride of Jesus Christ, founded on the day of Pentecost, consisting of all Christians everywhere.

Matthew 16:13-18, Acts 2:14-47

It is God's plan for the Elders on authority from the congregation to lead the local Church.

Acts 20:28, 1 Timothy 3:1-7, 1 Peter 5:1-4

That death seals the eternal destiny of each person. The saved will inherit eternal life: the unsaved, eternal separation from God.

Romans 8:10-11, Daniel 12:2, John 6:47

That Jesus Christ will one day return and reign forever as King of kings and Lord of lords.

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18