

Unity Christian Academy: Statement of Faith

As followers of Jesus Christ, living in this world—which some seek to control, and others view with despair—we de-clare with joy and trust: Our world belongs to God! This truth directs us in our work and play at Unity Christian Academy.

Our world, fallen into sin, has lost its first goodness, but God has not abandoned the work of his hands: our Maker preserves this world, sending seasons, sun, and rain, upholding all creatures, renewing the earth, promising a Savior, guiding all things to their purpose.

God holds this world with fierce love. Keeping his promise, he sends Jesus into the world, pours out the Holy Spirit, and announces the good news: sinners who repent and believe in Jesus live anew as members of the family of God—the first fruits of a new creation.

We rejoice in the goodness of God, renounce the works of darkness, and dedicate ourselves to holy living. As covenant partners, set free for joyful obedience, we offer our hearts and lives to do God's work in the world. In our work and worship at Unity Christian Academy these truths guide our behavior and expectations for life together.

With tempered impatience, eager to see injustice ended, we expect the Day of Christ's return. We are confident that the light which shines in the present darkness will fill the earth when He appears. Come, Lord Jesus. Our world belongs to you.

Remembering the promise to reconcile the world to himself, God joined our humanity in Jesus Christ—the eternal Word made flesh. He is the long-awaited Messiah, one with us and one with God, fully human and fully divine, conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

Standing in our place, Jesus suffered during his years on earth, especially in the tortures of the cross.

He carried God's judgment on our sin—his sacrifice removed our guilt. God raised him from the dead: he walked out of the grave, conqueror of sin and death—Lord of Life! We are set right with God, given new life, and called to walk with him in freedom from sin's dominion.

Being both divine and human, Jesus Christ mediates between us and God. He alone paid the debt of our sin; there is no other Savior. We are chosen in Christ to become like him in every way. God's electing love sustains our hope: God's grace is free to save sinners who offer nothing but their need for mercy.

At Pentecost, promises old and new are fulfilled. The ascended Jesus becomes the baptizer, drenching his followers with his Spirit, creating a new community where Father, Son, and Holy Spirit make their home. Revived and filled with the breath of God, women and men, young and old, dream dreams and see visions.

At Unity Christian Academy, the Spirit renews our hearts and moves us to faith, leads us into truth, and helps us to pray, stands by us in our need, and makes our obedience fresh and vibrant.

The Spirit gathers people from every tongue, tribe, and nation into the unity of the body of Christ. This school stands in that unity fostered by the Spirit. Serving the Lord in whom all things hold together, we support sound education in our communities, and we foster schools and teaching in which God's truth shines in all learning. At Unity Christian Academy, all students, without regard to abilities, race, or wealth, bear God's image and deserve an education that helps them use their gifts fully.

The Bible is the Word of God, the record and tool of his redeeming work. It is the Word of truth, breath of God, fully reliable in leading us to know God and to walk with Jesus Christ in new life. It is the central living text which shapes our curriculum and guides our life together.

We grieve that the church, which shares one Spirit, one faith, one hope, and spans all time, place, race, and language, has become a broken communion in a broken world. While we are a school and not a church, we commit ourselves to seeking and expressing the oneness of all who follow Jesus, and we pray for brothers and sisters who suffer for the faith.

Our hope for a new creation is not tied to what humans can do, for we believe that one day every challenge to God's rule will be crushed. His kingdom will fully come, and the Lord will rule. Come, Lord Jesus, come. Come here at Unity Christian Academy.