

Statement of Faith

Caroline's Promise is founded upon the Word of God. Members of the board and adoptive applicants are requested to indicate their personal agreement with our Statement of Faith by signing at the bottom. We believe in the one living and true God, both holy and loving, eternal, unlimited in power, wisdom, and goodness, the Creator and Preserver of all things. Within this unity there are three persons of one essential nature, power and eternity—the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Man and woman were made in His image. God gave Adam and Eve important work to do in this world as His ambassadors on earth. He also gave them the ability to conceive and bear children. We agree that God begins and sustains life at conception and gives to each person meaning, dignity and value.

Sin entered the world because Adam and Eve disobeyed God. Because of this all people are separated from God and live in a world corrupted by sin. However we believe in Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God. He was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary, truly God and truly man. He died on the cross and was buried, to be a sacrifice both for original sin and for all human transgressions, and to reconcile us to God. Christ rose bodily from the dead, and ascended into heaven, and there intercedes for us at the Father's right hand until He returns to judge all humanity.

The Bible is the first and final authority because it is the Word of God. We believe the books of the Old and New Testaments constitute the Holy Scriptures, inspired and infallibly written, fully inerrant in their original manuscripts and superior to all human authority, and have been transmitted to the present without corruption of any essential doctrine. We believe they contain all things necessary unto salvation: That we are forgiven of sins by faith in Jesus Christ and that God provides salvation by grace alone for those who repent and believe.

We believe that the two great commandments, which require us to love the Lord our God with all our heart, and our neighbors as ourselves, summarize the divine law as it is revealed in the Scriptures. We believe therefore that the church and the Christian community as a whole have the obligation to protect, preserve and enhance life as fully as possible for each person, both the born and the unborn. Therefore all people are called to a life of faith in Christ and enabled to be diligent in His purposes until His kingdom fully comes. The Spirit of God is ever present, assuring, preserving, guiding, and enabling the believer; giving us hope.

We believe the certainty of the personal and imminent return of Christ inspires holy living and zeal for the evangelization of the world. At His return, He will fulfill all prophecies made concerning His final and complete triumph over evil. He will gather us to Himself as one new family and for eternity fully enhance our lives as citizens of His kingdom. We face that day without fear, for Jesus Christ is our Savior and Lord! To Him be the glory! Amen