STURBRIDGE WORSHIP CENTER STATEMENT OF FAITH

We believe the entire Bible to be the inspired, infallible Word of God, the revelation of God's will for man and the divine and final authority for the Christian life. 2 Timothy 3:16-17

We believe in one God, the Creator of all things, who is revealed in three Persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Deuteronomy 6:4; John 15:26

We acknowledge Jesus Christ as true God and true man — conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of a virgin, crucified, and resurrected — our High Priest and Advocate now seated at the right hand of God the Father.

Matthew 1:18; Hebrews 12:2

We believe in personal salvation and forgiveness of sins through the shed blood of Jesus Christ, acknowledging every person's need for the grace and mercy of God. Romans 3:23-24; Ephesians 1:7; 1 Peter 1:3; 1 John 1:9

We believe in the eventual resurrection of the dead, the eternal happiness of the saved, and the eternal punishment of the lost.

John 14:1-3; 1 John 5:11; Revelation 20:15

We baptize in water all those who have placed their faith in Jesus Christ and who desire to publicly identify with Him, in accordance with the Bible's command. Matthew 28:19; Acts 8:36-39; Romans 6:4

We believe in the present supernatural ministry of the Holy Spirit, whose purpose is to glorify Jesus Christ and instruct and empower every believer for godly living and service. John 16:13-14; 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

We believe that the baptism with the Holy Spirit is a promise from the Father for every believer and is distinct and subsequent to the experience of the new birth. Speaking in tongues, as the Holy Spirit gives utterance, is a physical indication of the baptism with the Holy Spirit. Matthew 3:11; Acts 2:4, 38-39, 19:4-6

We serve the Lord's Supper and, according to Scripture, remember Jesus' sacrifice on the Cross and celebrate His resurrection power. Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

We believe in the second coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and that His appearance will be accompanied by a bodily resurrection of those who have died in Christ. Matthew 24:29-31; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

We believe that Jesus is the Healer. Isaiah 53:5; Matthew 8:16-17; James 5:14-15; 1 Peter 2:24

We believe in the power and effectiveness of prayer. Philippians 4:6-7; James 5:15-16

We believe in God's terrific plan for each of His followers to honor God and help people. Matthew 5:16, 25:40; Jeremiah 29:11