

Eastridge Baptist Church

Our church motto is: “United in love...that the world may believe.”

Our mission statement reflects John 13:35: “We are united in the love of God, guided by the Word of God, that we might present the Son of God, Jesus Christ, to all as the only sacrifice for our sins and Lord of our lives.”

Our vision is that every person within the reach of our church family would hear the invitation of Jesus Christ, know of His saving power and enter into a personal relationship with Him.

We are a fellowship of believers in the Lord Jesus Christ who are united together by their common beliefs.

We believe God is the true and only living God-the Creator and Sustainer of all life, who is known to us as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

We believe the Bible is God’s book of instruction and inspiration to His followers and since it was written with the guidance of His Holy Spirit, it is profitable to us and is the infallible, trustworthy Word of God.

We believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, in oneness with God, and offers Himself as the only way to God. Jesus was born of the virgin Mary, without an earthly father, and lived a sinless life. Following a short ministry of teaching, healing, and making disciples, He followed the course for His life and was crucified. On the cross, He bore the sins of all ages and claimed for each of us who believes in Him a victory over the power of sin. He was placed in a tomb, and as He prophesied, walked out of the tomb on the third day, alive and transformed. Following appearances before many witnesses, He was ascended into the clouds and is in Heaven preparing for His Second Coming.

We believe that the Holy Spirit is one with God and is actually the unseen presence of God living within each Christian. He instructs us concerning Jesus Christ and motivates and empowers us for service to God.

We believe that salvation comes only through faith in Jesus Christ. That is the belief that He died for our sins, was raised from the dead, and is now alive. A person must confess his need for Jesus Christ and express personal

belief in Him. Once a person truly accepts Jesus Christ and gives Him control of his life, he become a newborn child of God for all eternity.

We believe that the church consists of all who have received the salvation of Jesus Christ and will be in His presence one day. We further believe that until that day, we are to assemble as a local group of believers to carry out the instructions of Jesus. It is to this smaller idea of the church that most of the New Testament applies when the word church is used. We further believe that the local church should consist of believers in the Lord Jesus Christ who have been baptized.

We believe that baptism is the outward act of being completely immersed in water as a sign of having already asked Jesus Christ to be our Savior. This baptism does not have power itself to do anything toward our salvation, but is an important part of our obedience to the Lord.