



*A Classical Education □ A Christian Worldview*

## **Statement of Faith**

We believe in one God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The Triune God has created man in His own image and has called him to manifest and reflect holiness through obedience to His commandments. Because man has woefully fallen in this responsibility and entered into a state of moral corruption, he has subsequently become estranged from his Creator.

Because of a profound love for His creation, God has initiated a plan of redemption, which He has accomplished on behalf of His people in the realm of temporal history. The zenith of this redemption is located in the historical incarnation of God in the person of Jesus of Nazareth. We confess Jesus to be the Christ of Old Testament prophecy, being at the same time fully God and fully man. Jesus, through his substitutionary atoning death and bodily resurrection, has provided the meritorious basis of our justification, which by God's grace, we receive by faith alone.

The risen and ascended Christ has sent His Holy Spirit to dwell in the hearts of believers, effecting their regeneration and operating in their sanctification. The same Holy Spirit brings His people together to form a corporate community of believers. We believe that Christ has established a visible church that is called to live in the power of the Holy Spirit under the regulation of the authority of Holy Scripture, exercising discipline, administering the sacraments, and preaching the Gospel of Christ.

We believe that the Bible, in its entirety, is divine revelation, and we submit to the authority of Holy Scripture, acknowledging it to be inerrant, inspired by God and carrying the full weight of His authority.

We support the work of Christian organizations and institutions that confess the Lordship of Jesus Christ. We are committed to the implementation of the social and cultural implications of God's commandments for the well-being of man and his environment. We believe our faith should be visible in concrete forms and models of personal and social behavior. We seek to be faithful disciples of Christ, enduring in love and obedience until He comes again to consummate His kingdom.

We embrace and adopt the essential truths of catholic Christianity as articulated in the ecumenical councils such as Nicea and Chalcedon. We also embrace the system of doctrine articulated by the creeds of the Protestant Reformation, such as the Articles of Religion of the Protestant Episcopal Church, the Belgic Confession, the Heidelberg Catechism, the Second London Confession of 1689 and the Westminster Confession.

*Note: The Board of Governors, teachers and staff will affirm and sign this statement of faith. Parents also will sign the form acknowledging and agreeing that students will be taught according to this historic Protestant Reformed doctrinal frame of reference at The Geneva School.*

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Signature of Father/Guardian

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Signature of Mother/Guardian

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