


Statement of Beliefs

Mighty Fortress Community Church

1806 33rd Street, Rock Island, Illinois

Bringing Families Together In Christ

Mighty Fortress Community Church
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Join us every Sunday for

Sunday School 9:45 A.M.
Morning Worship..... 10:45 A.M.

Transportation is available upon request.

Prayer & Bible Reading

We believe that we must daily read God's word and we must seek God in prayer. We must read the Word of God and in grace, grow in faith and knowledge by studying the word.

Miscellaneous

- We firmly believe that the Bible is the Inspired Word of God.
- We believe that Jesus is the one true Son of God.
- We believe that Mary, the mother of Jesus, was a virgin and knew no man when she gave birth to Jesus.
- We believe that God's love will be evident in your attitudes toward all, and that God's Love will be evident in your love and compassion for others.
- We believe in striving to be perfect even as our Father in Heaven is perfect. Even though we ourselves cannot achieve perfection, we will be made perfect through Jesus.
- We do not believe in forcing the gospel in any way. Forcing is never good, no matter how it is used. We believe that people should be free to live their lives as they freely choose. Those that come to the Lord will walk in the Spirit, and God will guide them.
- We believe in a real and eternal Hell.
- We believe that it is God's will that none should perish in Hell, but that people take it by choice by rejecting Jesus.
- We believe that a person committing suicide will go to hell, unless they have an opportunity to repent.
- We believe in taking Communion.

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Salvation

We believe in Salvation through the blood of Christ, which he shed on Calvary for our sins. We believe that without the blood there is no remission of sin. We are saved by the grace of God. We do not believe that membership in any church can save you, nor water baptism. It takes the shed blood of Jesus Christ to cleanse you from your sin. We believe that through the Holy Spirit a person is convicted of their sins and when they accept Jesus into their hearts by faith they are washed clean through Christ's blood. We believe that when they come to Jesus trusting and believing him to save them from their sin, He is just and faithful to forgive them of every sin they ever committed. Those sins are forgotten, eradicated, erased and are remembered against them no more. When a person accepts Jesus they are as clean and innocent as a newborn baby. They are SAVED. However, we do not believe that once a person is saved that they are always saved. If a person willfully continues on in sins that they have been convicted of, choosing to return to sinful practices previously repented of, they are rejecting God's gift of Salvation. When a person comes to Jesus, they become a new creature, and their life will be different. Those sinful practices that they once loved will no longer appeal to them. Their life is changed and they will take on a new life of walking in the will of God. They will find joy, happiness and contentment in serving the Lord. Their attitude, as well as likes and dislikes, will change. They will seek to please the Lord, and not themselves. We believe that Salvation is evidenced through repentance; which is sorrow for your sins, turning away from sin, and toward God.

Healing & Miracles

We believe in divine healing which comes from God alone. We believe that the medical profession has received their knowledge from God, and that God can use them to provide healing. We accept blood transfusions ordered by a doctor as necessary. If a person is afflicted and faith does not bring them through to healing, that they should go to a doctor. Too many people have died because of not getting in touch with a physician. We should appreciate the medical profession and thank God for them. They do not detract from your faith. We do pray for the sick and afflicted, as we do believe in miracles. God is still healing the afflicted today.

Baptism and the Trinity

We believe in Water Baptism by immersion, however we do NOT believe that salvation comes by Water Baptism. Baptism is an outward sign showing that you are following Jesus in His death, burial and resurrection. We stand firm in our belief of the Trinity. Christ instructed to be baptized in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, not simply by the name of Jesus. We do not believe in Oneness Doctrine or in Jesus Name baptism, but that the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost form the Divine Trinity.

MFCC Purpose Statement

To come together in one accord for the purpose of reaching the un-churched, Bringing them to Christ, Discipling them, and Preparing them for Ministry.

Separation

We believe in separation from worldly pleasures. Among these (but not restricted to these) are alcohol, non-prescribed drugs, gambling, and sex outside of the bonds of marriage. There are many examples of scriptures telling us to come away from the world. What do worldly pleasures hold for a Christian? We believe in sanctification. To be sanctified means to be "set apart". We no longer crave the things of this world, but rather love to be with other Christians and busy doing the Lord's work.

Tithing

We believe in tithing. To pay tithes means to give ten percent (10%) of your earnings or income as instructed in the scripture, Numbers 18:26.

The Soon Coming of Jesus

We believe that the Rapture can take place at any moment. Only those who are washed in the Blood of Jesus Christ will be raptured away, whose lives are separated from the world and are striving to please the Lord. We must be unspotted from the world.

The Baptism of the Holy Ghost

We believe in the baptism of the Holy Ghost! It makes you alive and gives you power to stand. It's our power from on high. It will lead us into all truths. It teaches us. It guides us and sets us free of all encumbrances. Our Spirit will be set free! We will not go back into bondage as long as we walk in the Spirit.