

# Christ Triumphant

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- Part of the Harvest International organization
  - No information available on size of organization
- Christ Triumphant, Lee's Summit w/ thanks to Pastor Jonathan Agrimson

# Material Principle

## LCMS

- Justification by grace through faith in Jesus Christ

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- To get people to believe in Jesus, who said, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.”

# Formal Principle

LCMS

- Scripture (OT and NT)

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# God

LCMS

- Biblical Trinity

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# The Person of Jesus

## LCMS

- Incarnation
- Both God and man

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# The Work of Jesus

## LCMS

- Redemption
- Reconciliation
- Vicarious Satisfaction/Atonement
- Savior

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# Doctrine of Man

## LCMS

- Fallen sinners in need of redemption, of salvation
- Original sin
- Bondage of the Will
- Total depravity

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- Fallen sinners in need of redemption, of salvation
- Original sin
- Partial Depravity
  - Some free will in regards to that personal decision
  - Sinner's Prayer



# Salvation/Justification

## LCMS

- Ephesians 2:8-9
- Grace Alone
- Faith Alone

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- Decision
- We don't have to behave to belong.
- When you belong, you start to behave

# Sacraments

## LCMS

- A means of grace
- Commanded by Christ
- With a visible element
  - Baptism
  - Lord's Supper
  - Absolution

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- Symbols only
- Baptism
- Lord's Supper
- Immediate Grace, not means of grace

# Assurance

## LCMS

- Points you to the means of grace:
  - Baptism
  - Lord's Supper
  - Absolution
- Not based on you or your works, but on God and what He has done for you.

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- Ephesians 2:8-9
  - Focus on what Jesus did
  - Look for three things: confess, believe in the heart, trust
- Actual Knowing
  - Between God and the individual
  - We can only look at the fruit
  - Are you walking and talking with God?
  - Enjoying your relationship?

# Church and Ministry

## LCMS

- Church as the Body of Christ
- Visible and invisible church
- Marks of the Church – Preaching and the sacraments
- One divinely instituted office – the Preaching Office or the Office of the Keys
- Auxiliary offices are rooted in the Office

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- Church as the Body of Christ
- Priesthood of All Believers
- Senior Pastor is the leader of the congregation
- Has a senior leadership team (similar to a Presbyterian polity, or even our understanding of elders)

# Last Things

## LCMS

- Life after Death
- Bodily Resurrection
- Amillennial

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- Life after Death
- Bodily Resurrection
- No official teaching on the Millennium

# Current Cultural Topics

## LCMS

- Role of Women in the Church
- Age of the earth
- Abortion
- In Vitro Fertilization
- Cohabitation
- Same-sex Marriage

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# Miscellaneous

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- Emphasized that we are brothers and sisters in Christ.