

STATEMENT OF FAITH  
*The Original Version, 1959\**

We believe in God, the Eternal Spirit, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ and our Father, and to his deeds we testify:  
He calls the worlds into being,  
creates man in his own image  
and sets before him the ways of life and death.  
He seeks in holy love to save all people from aimlessness  
and sin.  
He judges men and nations by his righteous will  
declared through prophets and apostles.  
In Jesus Christ, the man of Nazareth, our crucified and  
risen Lord,  
he has come to us  
and shared our common lot,  
conquering sin and death  
and reconciling the world to himself.  
He bestows upon us his Holy Spirit,  
creating and renewing the church of Jesus Christ,  
binding in covenant faithful people of all ages,  
tongues, and races.  
He calls us into his church  
to accept the cost and joy of discipleship,  
to be his servants in the service of men,  
to proclaim the gospel to all the world  
and resist the powers of evil,  
to share in Christ's baptism and eat at his table,  
to join him in his passion and victory.  
He promises to all who trust him  
forgiveness of sins and fullness of grace,  
courage in the struggle for justice and peace,  
his presence in trial and rejoicing,  
and eternal life in his kingdom which has no end.  
Blessing and honor, glory and power be unto him. Amen.

\*Statement of Faith, approved by the Second General Synod of the United Church of Christ, 1959.

STATEMENT OF FAITH  
*The Revision of 1977\**

We believe in God, the Eternal Spirit, who is made known to us in Jesus our brother, and to whose deeds we testify:  
God calls the worlds into being,  
creates humankind in the divine image,  
and sets before us the ways of life and death.  
God seeks in holy love to save all people from aimlessness  
and sin.  
God judges all humanity and all nations by that will of  
righteousness declared through prophets and apostles.  
In Jesus Christ, the man of Nazareth, our crucified and  
risen Lord,  
God has come to us  
and shared our common lot,  
conquering sin and death  
and reconciling the whole creation to its Creator.  
God bestows upon us the Holy Spirit,  
creating and renewing the church of Jesus Christ,  
binding in covenant faithful people of all ages,  
tongues, and races.  
God calls us into the church  
to accept the cost and joy of discipleship,  
to be servants in the service of the whole human family,  
to proclaim the gospel to all the world  
and resist the powers of evil,  
to share in Christ's baptism and eat at his table,  
to join him in his passion and victory.  
God promises to all who trust in the gospel  
forgiveness of sins and fullness of grace,  
courage in the struggle for justice and peace,  
the presence of the Holy Spirit in trial and rejoicing,  
and eternal life in that kingdom which has no end.  
Blessing and honor, glory and power be unto God. Amen.

\*Statement of Faith, revised by Robert V. Moss, Jr., president of the United Church of Christ, 1969-76, and recommended for use by the Eleventh General Synod, 1977.

STATEMENT OF FAITH  
*The Revision of 1981: A Doxology\**

We believe in you, O God, Eternal Spirit, God of our Savior Jesus Christ and our God, and to your deeds we testify:  
You call the worlds into being,  
create persons in your own image,  
and set before each one the ways of life and death.  
You seek in holy love to save all people from aimlessness  
and sin.  
You judge people and nations by your righteous will  
declared through prophets and apostles.  
In Jesus Christ, the man of Nazareth, our crucified and  
risen Savior,  
you have come to us  
and shared our common lot,  
conquering sin and death  
and reconciling the world to yourself.  
You bestow upon us your Holy Spirit,  
creating and renewing the church of Jesus Christ,  
binding in covenant faithful people of all ages,  
tongues, and races.  
You call us into your church  
to accept the cost and joy of discipleship,  
to be your servants in the service of others,  
to proclaim the gospel to all the world  
and resist the powers of evil,  
to share in Christ's baptism and eat at his table,  
to join him in his passion and victory.  
You promise to all who trust you  
forgiveness of sins and fullness of grace,  
courage in the struggle for justice and peace,  
your presence in trial and rejoicing,  
and eternal life in your realm which has no end.  
Blessing and honor, glory and power be unto you. Amen.

\*Statement of Faith, Revised 1981 (in the form of a Doxology), affirmed by the Fourteenth General Synod of the United Church of Christ.