

Statement of Faith Cora Akpik

I was raised in a Christian home, both my parents were Presbyterian members. I went to Sunday School on Sundays at 10:00 am over at the Assembly of God church and then to the one at 2:00 pm at the Presbyterian Church.

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried, He descended into hell, the third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty, from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen

Your Word is a lamp for my feet, a light to my path. Ps 119:105 (NIV)

I believe the Bible is the Word of God and that God created all things. God's Word gives life and God's Word is alive. The whole Bible is about God and His Son Jesus. I believe God's Word is True, it is powerful, it brings healing and comfort even if we have some doubt within self.

To me, God is our Father, our creator, our teacher and someone who sees the good in all of us. To me, God is someone who motivates me to be the best person I can be and He makes me feel safe to know He is there for me. I believe God will always love me and He will forgive me for my mistakes.

In 2017, I was in a car accident in Anchorage on my way to attend the Presbytery meeting at the Trinity Church. Thank God there were no broken bones, just some minor injuries and since then, my faith has become stronger, and I have a closer relationship with Jesus as my personal Savior and believe more than ever before who Jesus is.

I have learned a lot of amazing things when I attended the Presbyterian quarterly meetings. The church is somewhere we all gather together to rejoice and worship and the church is not just the building. It is also the people who are part of the church.