

BASIC PRESBYTERIAN THEOLOGICAL COMMITMENTS

(Based on the Book of Confessions and Book of Order G-2.000)

1. The Priority of Jesus Christ, the Word of God as attested in scripture
2. The Use of Subordinate Creeds, Catechisms, and Confessions in interpreting scripture

Catholic Commitments

3. The mystery of the Triune God
4. The Incarnation of the eternal Word of God in Jesus Christ; Jesus Christ as eternally human and divine in two natures/one person

Reformation Commitments

5. The Priority of God's Grace as revealed in Jesus Christ
6. Emphasis on faith in Jesus Christ as the way we receive God's grace
7. Emphasis on scripture as the authoritative source of knowledge as to God's saving purposes for human beings

Reformed Commitments

8. The Majesty, holiness, and providence of God who creates, sustains, rules, and redeems the world in the freedom of sovereign righteousness and love
9. The Election of the people of God for service as well as for salvation
10. Covenant life marked by a disciplined concern for order in the church according to the Word of God
11. Faithful stewardship that shuns ostentation and seeks proper use of the gifts of God's creation
12. Recognition of the human tendency towards idolatry and tyranny, which calls the people of God to work for the transformation of society by seeking justice and living in obedience to the Word of God