

## **Theological Issues for Crossroads**

Crossroads identifies itself as an orthodox, Trinitarian, reformed, evangelical congregation. We believe in the authority of the Bible as the Word of God that directs our faith and our practice. We are not mainstream or progressive in our approach to the Scripture or the Christian life. Yet, we are intentionally committed to diversity, as seen in the variety of ethnic groups and cultures, which make up our congregation. We affirm God's intention that the gospel be preached to the whole world and that all redeemed peoples are part of his body. The dividing wall of hostility between God and mankind as well as the wall between people groups has been destroyed by the death and resurrection of the Lord Jesus.

The following issues, which the church and society are embracing at this time, are significant red flags for our congregation and we do not affirm or practice them:

1. A view of the Scripture which embraces universalism, philosophical pluralism or denies the deity of Christ and his efficacious work on the cross as our only means of salvation
2. A definition of Marriage which fails to accept the account in Genesis that marriage is for a man and a woman and instead seeks to affirm marriage as a covenant between two men or two women.
3. Ordination: opening ordination to those who actively practice a lifestyle which the Scriptures prohibit