

List of Christian denominations

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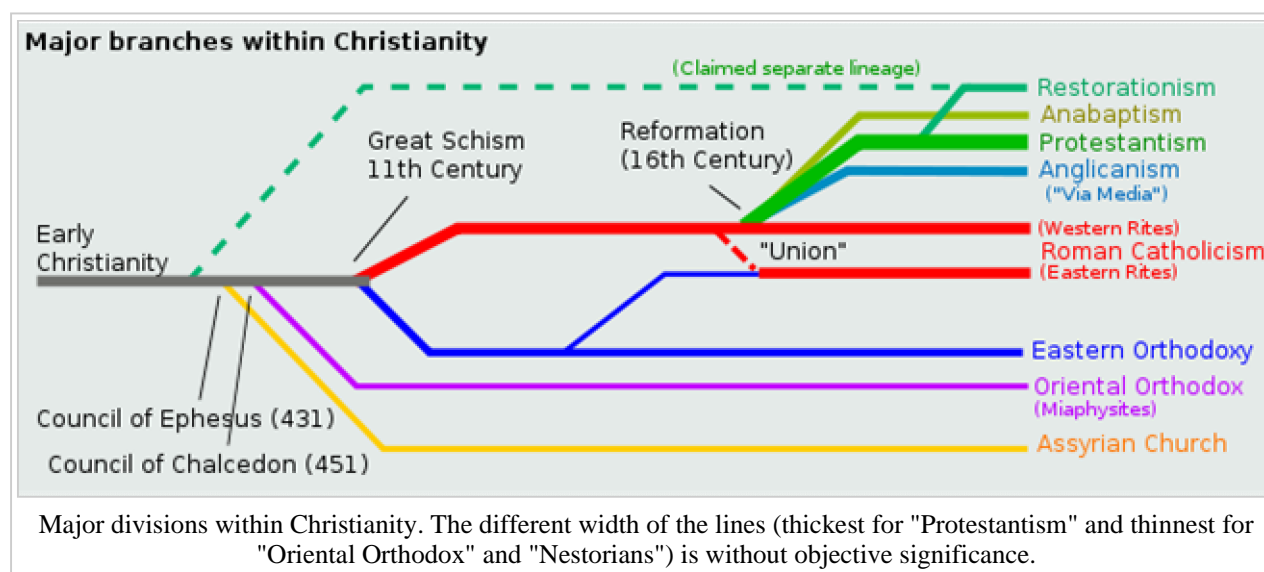
List of **Christian denominations** (or **Denominations self-identified as Christian**) ordered by historical and doctrinal relationships. (See also: Christianity; Christian denominations; List of Christian denominations by number of members).

Some groups are large (e.g. Catholics, Lutherans, Anglicans or Baptists), while others are just a few small churches, and in most cases the relative size is not evident in this list. Also, modern movements such as Fundamentalist Christianity, Pietism, Evangelicalism, Pentecostalism and the Holiness movement sometimes cross denominational lines, or in some cases create new denominations out of two or more continuing groups, (as is the case for many United and uniting churches, for example). Such subtleties and complexities are not clearly depicted here. Additionally, some groups viewed by non-adherents as denominational actively resist being called a "denomination" and do not have any formal denominational structure, authority, or record-keeping beyond the local congregation; several groups within Restorationism fall into this category.

Note: This is not a complete list, but aims to provide a comprehensible overview of the diversity among denominations of Christianity. As there are reported to be approximately 38,000 Christian denominations,^[1] many of which cannot be verified to be significant, only those denominations with Wikipedia articles will be listed in order to ensure that all entries on this list are notable and verifiable.

Note: Between denominations, theologians, and comparative religionists there are considerable disagreements about which groups can be properly called Christian, disagreements arising primarily from doctrinal differences between groups. For the purpose of simplicity, this list is intended to reflect the self-understanding of each denomination. Explanations of different opinions concerning their status as Christian denominations can be found at their respective articles.

Note: There is no official recognition in most parts of the world for religious bodies, and there is no official clearinghouse which could determine the status or respectability of religious bodies. Often there is considerable disagreement between various churches about whether other churches should be labeled with pejorative terms such as "cult", or about whether this or that group enjoys some measure of respectability. Such considerations often vary from place to place, where one religious group may enjoy majority status in one region, but be widely regarded as a "dangerous cult" in another part of the world. Inclusion on this list does not indicate any judgment about the size, importance, or character of a group or its members.



Catholicism

Main article: Catholicism

These are the churches which claim continuity (based upon Apostolic Succession) with the church before separation into Greek or Eastern and Latin or Western. (Lutheran churches have also identified themselves as catholic on the basis of continuity in doctrine with the Early Church.)

Roman Catholic Church

Main article: Roman Catholic Church

Latin Rite

The Latin Rite or Church^[2] is the largest and most widely known of the 22 Rites of the Catholic Church. In the past, Catholics in France and Germany have claimed a measure of ecclesial independence from Rome (see Febronianism, Gallicanism), but not to the extent of forming Churches distinct from the Roman Catholic Church as a whole (as happened with the Church of England) or even from the Latin Church.

Eastern Catholic Churches

Main article: Eastern Catholic Churches

All of the following are particular churches of the Catholic Church. They are all in communion with the Bishop of Rome and acknowledge his claim of universal jurisdiction and authority. They have some minor distinct theological emphases and expressions (for instance, in the case of those that are of Greek/Byzantine tradition, concerning some aspects of the Latin depiction of purgatory).^[3]

- Armenian Catholic Church
- Belarusian Greek Catholic Church
- Bulgarian Catholic Church
- Chaldean Catholic Church
- Coptic Catholic Church
- Croatian Greek Catholic Church
- Ethiopian Catholic Church
- Georgian Catholic Church
- Greek Catholic Church
- Hungarian Greek Catholic Church
- Italo-Greek Catholic Church
- Macedonian Catholic Church
- Maronite Catholic Church
- Melkite Catholic Church
- Romanian Catholic Church
- Russian Catholic Church
- Ruthenian Catholic Church (usually called the "Byzantine Catholic Church" in the United States)
- Slovak Greek Catholic Church
- Syrian Catholic Church
- Syro-Malabar Church
- Syro-Malankara Catholic Church
- Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church

The Roman Catholic Church considers itself part of the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church that Christ founded.^[4]

Eastern Orthodox Church

Main article: Eastern Orthodox Church

See also: Eastern Orthodox Church organization and Eastern Orthodox Christian theology

List provided in order of precedence. Indentation indicates autonomy rather than autocephaly.

- Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople
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- Finnish Orthodox Church
- Estonian Apostolic Orthodox Church (autonomy not universally recognized)
- Patriarchal Exarchate for Orthodox Parishes of Russian Tradition in Western Europe (autonomy not universally recognized)
- Greek Orthodox Church of Alexandria
- Greek Orthodox Church of Antioch
 - Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America
- Greek Orthodox Church of Jerusalem
 - Saint Catherine's Monastery (considered autocephalous by some)
- Russian Orthodox Church
 - Latvian Orthodox Church (semi-autonomous)
 - Moldovan Orthodox Church (autonomy not universally recognized)
 - Ukrainian Orthodox Church (Moscow Patriarchate)
 - Japanese Orthodox Church (autonomy not universally recognized)
 - Chinese Orthodox Church
- Russian Orthodox Church Outside Russia (semi-autonomous; not universally recognized)
- Estonian Orthodox Church of Moscow Patriarchate (semi-autonomous; not universally recognized)
- Serbian Orthodox Church
 - Macedonian Orthodox Church
 - Orthodox Ohrid Archbishopric
- Romanian Orthodox Church
 - Metropolis of Bessarabia
- Bulgarian Orthodox Church
- Georgian Orthodox and Apostolic Church
- Cypriot Orthodox Church
- Church of Greece
- Polish Orthodox Church
- Orthodox Autocephalous Church of Albania
- Czech and Slovak Orthodox Church
- Orthodox Church in America (autocephaly not universally recognized)
- Russian Orthodox Church in America (not universally recognized)

The Eastern Orthodox Church considers itself to be the One Holy catholic and Apostolic Church that Christ founded.

Oriental Orthodox Church

Main article: Oriental Orthodox Church

Oriental Orthodoxy comprises those Christians who did not accept the Council of Chalcedon (AD 451). Other denominations often erroneously label these churches "Monophysite", however, as the Oriental Orthodox do not adhere to the teachings of Eutyches, they themselves reject this label, preferring the term Miaphysite.

- Coptic Orthodox Church of Alexandria
 - British Orthodox Church
 - French Coptic Orthodox Church
- Syriac Orthodox Church
 - Jacobite Syrian Christian Church
- Armenian Apostolic Church
 - Armenian Patriarchate of Jerusalem
- Church of Caucasian Albania (no longer in existence)
- Ethiopian Orthodox Tewahedo Church
- Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church
- Eritrean Orthodox Tewahedo Church

The Oriental Orthodox Church considers itself to be the One Holy Catholic Orthodox and Apostolic Church that Christ founded.

Assyrian Church of the East

Main article: Assyrian Church of the East

The Assyrian Church of the East is said to have been formed by St Thomas. The Church did not attend the Council of Ephesus (AD 431). It is incorrectly referred to as Nestorianism; Assyrian Christians do not consider themselves Nestorians, and recent Christological agreements with the Catholic and some of the Orthodox churches have resolved this debate permanently, clearing the way for union.

Anglican Churches

See below

Other Churches Self-Identified as Catholic

Independent

See also: Sedevacantism and Traditionalist Catholic

- Apostolic Catholic Church
- American Catholic Church in the United States
- Bosnian Church (no longer in existence)
- Brazilian Catholic Apostolic Church
- Catholic Charismatic Church of Canada
- Celtic Catholic Church
- Chinese Patriotic Catholic Association
- Communion of Christ the Redeemer
- Free Catholic Church
- Liberal Catholic Church
- Mariavite Church
- Old Catholic Church
- Old Catholic Church of America
- Old Catholic Church in Europe
- Palmarian Catholic Church
- Philippine Independent Church
- Polish National Catholic Church
- Spiritus Christi
- True Catholic Church

Orthodox

Byzantine

- Greek Old Calendarists
- Montenegrin Orthodox Church
- Macedonian Orthodox Church
- Russian Old Believers
- Ukrainian Orthodox Church:
 - Ukrainian Autocephalous Orthodox Church
 - Ukrainian Orthodox Church (Kiev Patriarchy)

Oriental

- The Antiochian Catholic Church in America is theologically aligned with the Oriental Orthodox, but is not in full communion with them, primarily because it ordains women and does not impose celibacy on its bishops.
- Celtic Orthodox Church
- Sassanid Church (no longer in existence)
- Malabar Independent Syrian Church

Western-Rite

- Orthodox-Catholic Church of America (OCCA)

Anglicanism

Main article: Anglicanism

Anglicanism has referred to itself as the *via media* between Roman Catholicism and Protestantism. It considers itself to be both Catholic and Reformed. Although the use of the term "Protestant" to refer to

Anglicans was once common, it is controversial today, with some rejecting the label and others accepting it.

Anglican Communion

Main article: Anglican Communion

- Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia
- Anglican Church in Central America
- Anglican Church of Australia
- Anglican Church of Burundi
- Anglican Church of Canada
- Anglican Church of Kenya
- Anglican Church of Korea
- Anglican Church of Mexico
- Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea
- Anglican Church of Southern Africa
- Anglican Church of Tanzania
- Anglican Church of the Southern Cone of America
- Anglican Episcopal Church of Brazil
- Church in the Province of the West Indies
- Church in Wales
- Church of England
- Church of Ireland
- Church of Nigeria
- Church of Uganda
- Church of the Province of Central Africa
- Church of the Province of Melanesia
- Church of the Province of Myanmar
- Church of the Province of Rwanda
- Church of the Province of South East Asia
- Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean
- Church of the Province of West Africa
- Episcopal Church (in the United States and elsewhere)
- Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East
- Episcopal Church in the Philippines
- Episcopal Church of Cuba
- Episcopal Church of the Sudan
- Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui
- Lusitanian Catholic Apostolic Evangelical Church (in Portugal)
- Nippon Sei Ko Kai (Japan)
- Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo
- Scottish Episcopal Church
- Spanish Reformed Episcopal Church

The Anglican Communion also includes the following united churches:

- Church of Bangladesh
- Church of North India
- Church of South India
- Church of Pakistan

The Anglican Communion considers itself to be part of the One Holy catholic and Apostolic Church that Christ founded, which also includes the Roman Catholic Church, the Eastern Orthodox Churches, and the Old Catholic Church (Union of Utrecht).

Continuing and Independent Anglican

Main article: Continuing Anglican movement

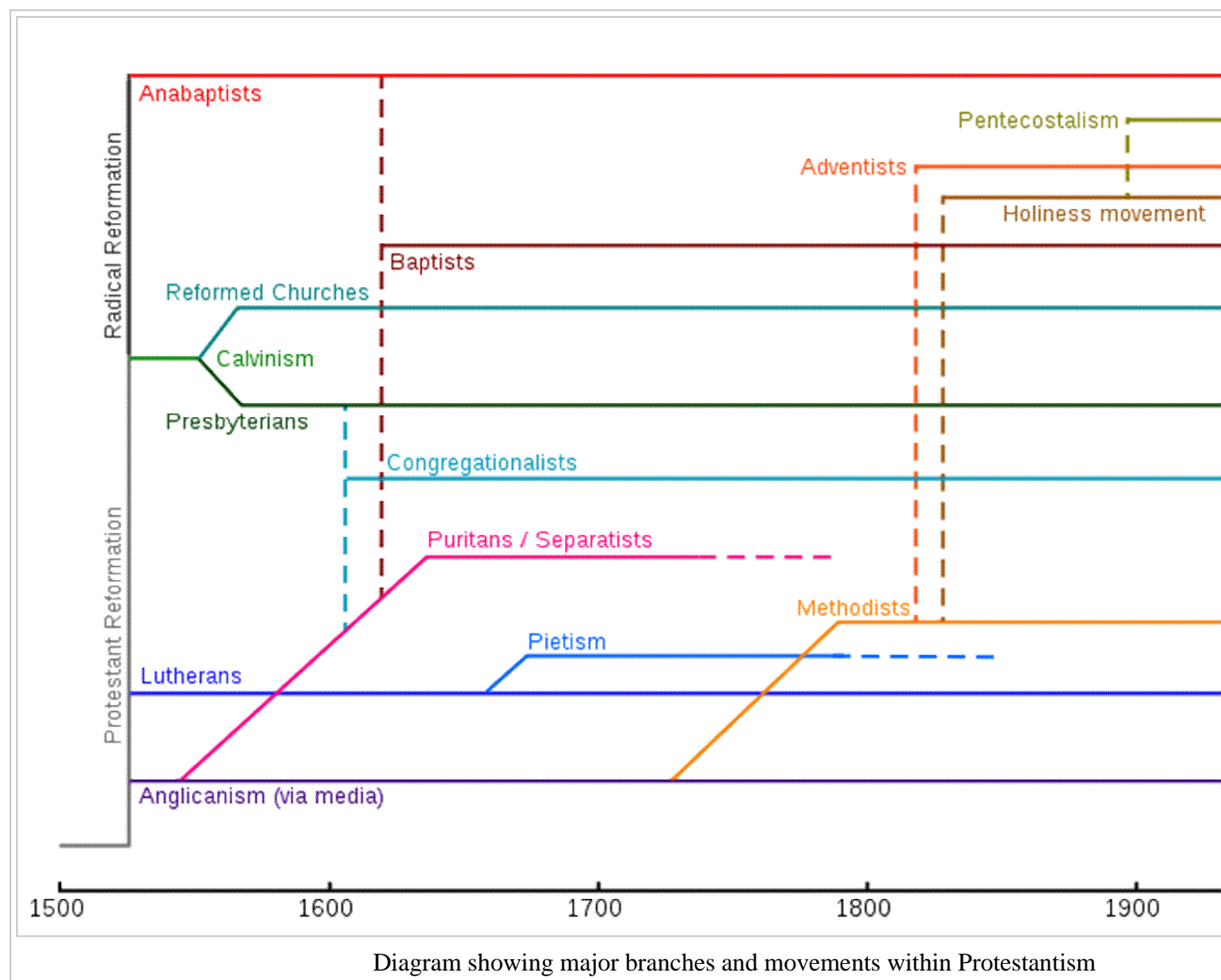
- African Orthodox Church
- Anglican Catholic Church
- Anglican Church in America
- Anglican Mission in the Americas
- Anglican Orthodox Church
- Anglican Province of America
- Anglican Province of Christ the King
- Charismatic Episcopal Church
- Christian Episcopal Church
- Church of England (Continuing)
- Church of England in South Africa
- Communion of Evangelical Episcopal Churches
- Episcopal Missionary Church
- Free Church of England
- Free Protestant Episcopal Church
- Reformed Episcopal Church
- Southern Episcopal Church

Protestantism

Main articles: Protestantism and Protestant Reformation

See also: Protestantism by country

These are the churches which "which repudiated the papal authority, and separated or were severed from the Roman communion in the Reformation of the 16th cent., and of any of the bodies of Christians descended from them."^[5]



Pre-Lutheran Protestants

- Cathars
- Hussites
 - Moravian Church
 - Taborites
 - Unity of the Brethren
 - Utraquists
- Lollards
- Waldensians
 - Waldensian-Methodist Union of Italy
 - Waldensian Church of the Rio de la Plata

Lutheranism

Main articles: Lutheranism and Martin Luther

- Apostolic Lutheran Church of America
- Association of Free Lutheran Congregations
- Church of the Lutheran Brethren of America
- Church of the Lutheran Confession
- Concordia Lutheran Conference
- Laestadian Lutheran Church
- Latvian Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
- Lutheran Church of China (no longer in existence)

- Confessional Evangelical Lutheran Conference
 - Evangelical Lutheran Church "Concord" (Russia)
 - Evangelical Lutheran Free Church (Germany)
 - Evangelical Lutheran Synod (United States)
 - Lutheran Church of Central Africa Malawi Conference
 - Lutheran Church of Central Africa Zambia Conference
 - Ukrainian Lutheran Church
 - Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (United States)
- Evangelical Catholic Church
- Evangelical Community Church-Lutheran
- Evangelical Lutheran Diocese of North America
- International Lutheran Council
 - American Association of Lutheran Churches
 - Evangelical Lutheran Church - Synod of France and Belgium
 - Evangelical Lutheran Church of Brazil
 - Evangelical Lutheran Church of England
 - Gutnius Lutheran Church
 - Independent Evangelical-Lutheran Church
 - Japan Lutheran Church
 - Lanka Lutheran Church
 - Lutheran Church - Canada
 - Lutheran Church—Hong Kong Synod
 - Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod (United States)
 - Lutheran Church of Australia (associate member)
- German Evangelical Church in Bohemia, Moravia and Silesia (no longer in existence)
- Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ (United States)
- Lutheran Evangelical Protestant Church (United States)
- Lutheran Ministerium and Synod - USA
- Lutheran World Federation
 - Andhra Evangelical Lutheran Church
 - Batak Christian Protestant Church
 - Church of Denmark
 - Church of Iceland
 - Church of Norway
 - Church of Sweden
 - Church of the Faroe Islands
 - Estonian Evangelical Lutheran Church
 - Evangelical Church of the Augsburg Confession in Slovakia
 - Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
 - Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada
 - Evangelical Lutheran Church of Papua New Guinea
 - Evangelical Lutheran Church in Southern Africa
 - Evangelical Lutheran Church of Finland
 - Evangelical Lutheran Church of Latvia
 - Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania
 - Evangelical Lutheran Free Church of Norway (associate member)
 - Lutheran Church of Australia (associate member)
 - Malagasy Lutheran Church
 - Simalungun Protestant Christian Church

Anglican Churches

See above

Reformed Churches

Main article: Reformed Churches

See also: Calvinism and First Great Awakening

- Canadian and American Reformed Churches
- Christian Reformed Church in North America
- Christian Reformed Churches of Australia
- Confederation of Reformed Evangelical Churches
- Congregational Federation of Australia
- Netherlands Reformed Congregations
- Orthodox Christian Reformed Church
- Protestant Reformed Churches in America
- Reformed Church in America
- Reformed Church in Hungary
- Reformed Church in the United States

- Dutch Reformed Church
- Federation of Swiss Protestant Churches
- Free Reformed Churches of North America
- Heritage Reformed Congregations
- Remonstrant Brotherhood
- United Reformed Church
- United Reformed Churches in North America

Presbyterianism

Main article: Presbyterianism

See also: Presbyterian polity

- Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church
- Bible Presbyterian Church
- Christ Community Church
- Church of Scotland
- Confederation of Reformed Evangelical Churches
- Cumberland Presbyterian Church
- Evangelical Presbyterian Church
- Evangelical Presbyterian Church in England and Wales
- Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Ukraine
- Evangelical Presbyterian Church (Australia)
- Free Church of Scotland
- Free Church of Scotland (Continuing)
- Free Presbyterian Church (Australia)
- Free Presbyterian Church of Scotland
- Free Presbyterian Church of Ulster
- Greek Evangelical Church
- Orthodox Presbyterian Church
- Presbyterian Church in America
- Presbyterian Church in Canada
- Presbyterian Church of India
- Presbyterian Church in Ireland
- Presbyterian Church in Taiwan
- Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand
- Presbyterian Church of Australia
- Presbyterian Church of Eastern Australia
- Presbyterian Church of Korea
- Presbyterian Church of Wales (also a Methodist church)
- Presbyterian Church (USA)
- Presbyterian Reformed Church (Australia)
- Presbyterian Reformed Church (Canada)
- Reformed Church of France
- Reformed Presbyterian Church General Assembly
- Reformed Presbyterian Church of Australia
- Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America
- Southern Presbyterian Church (Australia)
- United Free Church of Scotland
- Uniting Presbyterian Church in Southern Africa
- Upper Cumberland Presbyterian Church
- Westminster Presbyterian Church of Australia

Congregationalist Churches

Main article: Congregational Church

- Conservative Congregational Christian Conference
- English Independents (virtually extinct as a modern and distinct group)
- Huguenots (virtually extinct as a modern and distinct group)
- National Association of Congregational Christian Churches
- United Church of Christ
- United Congregational Church of Southern Africa

Anabaptists

Main article: Anabaptists

See also: Radical Reformation, Theology of Anabaptism, and Schwarzenau Brethren

- Abecedarians (extinct)
- Amish
 - Beachy Amish
 - Nebraska Amish
 - Old Order Amish

- Swartzentruber Amish
- Apostolic Christian Church

Brethren

Main article: Brethren

- Church of the United Brethren in Christ
- Free Evangelical Churches
- Hutterites
 - Bruderhof Communities
- Mennonites
 - Alliance of Mennonite Evangelical Congregations
 - Chortitzer Mennonite Conference
 - Church of God in Christ, Mennonite (Holdeman Mennonites)
 - Conference of the Mennonite Brethren Churches in India
 - Conservative Mennonite Conference
 - Evangelical Mennonite Church
 - Evangelical Mennonite Conference
 - Evangelical Mennonite Mission Conference
 - Evangelical Missionary Church
 - Fellowship of Evangelical Bible Churches (formerly Evangelical Mennonite Brethren)
 - Mennonite Brethren Churches
 - Canadian Conference of Mennonite Brethren Churches
 - Japan Mennonite Brethren Conference
 - US Conference of Mennonite Brethren Churches
 - Mennonite Church Canada
 - Mennonite Church in the Netherlands
- Mennonite Church USA
- Missionary Church
- Old Order Mennonites
- Swiss Mennonite Conference
- Plymouth Brethren
 - Exclusive Brethren
 - Indian Brethren
 - Kerala Brethren
 - Open Brethren
- River Brethren
 - Brethren in Christ Church
 - Old Order River Brethren
 - United Zion Church
- Schwarzenau Brethren
 - Brethren Reformed Church
 - Church of the Brethren
 - Conservative Grace Brethren Churches, International
 - Dunkard Brethren
 - Ephrata Cloister
 - Fellowship of Grace Brethren Churches
 - Old German Baptist Brethren
 - Old Order German Baptist Brethren
 - The Brethren Church (Ashland Brethren)
- Social Brethren

Methodists

Main article: Methodism

- African Methodist Episcopal Church
- African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church
- Christian Methodist Episcopal Church (Dallas, Texas)
- Congregational Methodist Church
- Evangelical Church (ECNA)
- Evangelical Church of the Dominican Republic
- Evangelical Methodist Church
- First Congregational Methodist Church
- Free Methodist Church (North America)
- Free Wesleyan Church (Tonga)
- Fundamental Methodist Conference, Inc.
- Methodist Church in Ireland
- Methodist Church in Singapore
- Methodist Church of Fiji and Rotuma
- Methodist Church of Great Britain
- Methodist Church of Malaysia
- Methodist Church of New Zealand
- Methodist Church of Southern Africa
- Presbyterian Church of Wales (also a Presbyterian church)
- Primitive Methodist Church
- United Methodist Church
- Wesleyan Reform Union

Pietists and Holiness Churches

Main articles: Pietism and Holiness movement

See also: Higher Life movement, Holiness Tabernacles, and Third Great Awakening

- Bible Fellowship Church
- Christian Baptist Church of God
- Christ's Sanctified Holy Church
- Church of Christ (Holiness) U.S.A.
- Church of God (Anderson)
- Church of God (Guthrie, Oklahoma)
- Church of God (Holiness)
- Church of God (Restoration)
- Churches of God General Conference (Winebrenner)
- Church of the Nazarene
- Evangelical Free Church of America
- Harmony Society
- Missionary Church
- Salvation Army
- United Christian Church
- Wesleyan Church

Baptists

Main article: Baptists

See also: Baptist beliefs and List of Baptist Confessions

Note: All Baptist associations are congregationalist affiliations for the purpose of cooperation, in which each local church is governmentally independent.

Further information: List of Baptist sub-denominations

- Alliance of Baptists
- American Baptist Association
- American Baptist Churches USA
- Association of Baptist Churches in Ireland
- Association of Grace Baptist Churches
- Association of Reformed Baptist Churches of America
- Association of Regular Baptist Churches
- Baptist Bible Fellowship International
- Baptist Conference of the Philippines
- Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec
- Baptist Convention of Western Cuba
- Baptist General Conference (Sweden)
- Baptist General Conference of Canada
- Baptist General Convention of Texas
- Baptist Missionary Association of America
- Baptist Union of Australia
- Baptist Union of Great Britain
- Baptist Union of New Zealand
- Baptist Union of Scotland
- Baptist Union of Western Canada
- Baptist World Alliance
- Bible Baptist
- Black Primitive Baptists
- Canadian Baptist Ministries
- Canadian Convention of Southern Baptists
- Central Baptist Association
- Central Canada Baptist Conference
- Christian Unity Baptist Association
- Conservative Baptist Association
- Conservative Baptist Association of America
- Independent Baptist Church of America
- Independent Baptist Fellowship International
- Independent Baptist Fellowship of North America
- Interstate & Foreign Landmark Missionary Baptist Association
- Landmark Baptist Church
- Liberty Baptist Fellowship
- Myanmar Baptist Convention
- Nagaland Baptist Church Council
- National Association of Free Will Baptists
- National Baptist Convention of America, Inc.
- National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc.
- National Baptist Evangelical Life and Soul Saving Assembly of the U.S.A.
- National Missionary Baptist Convention of America
- National Primitive Baptist Convention of the U.S.A.
- New England Evangelical Baptist Fellowship
- New Testament Association of Independent Baptist Churches
- Nigerian Baptist Convention
- North American Baptist Conference
- North Bank Baptist Christian Association
- Norwegian Baptist Union
- Old Baptist Union
- Old Regular Baptist
- Old Time Missionary Baptist

- Continental Baptist Churches
- Convención Nacional Bautista de Mexico
- Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches
- Convention of Baptist Churches of Northern Circars
- Cooperative Baptist Fellowship
- European Baptist Convention
- European Baptist Federation
- Evangelical Baptist Mission of South Haiti
- Evangelical Free Baptist Church
- Fellowship of Evangelical Baptist Churches in Canada
- Free Will Baptist Church
- Fundamental Baptist Fellowship of America
- General Association of Baptists
- General Association of General Baptists
- General Association of Regular Baptist Churches
- General Conference of the Evangelical Baptist Church, Inc.
- General Six-Principle Baptists
- Grace Baptist Assembly
- Independent Baptist
- Primitive Baptist
- Progressive Baptist
- Progressive National Baptist Convention
- Reformed Baptist
- Regular Baptist Churches, General Association of
- Regular Baptist
- Samavesam of Telugu Baptist Churches
- Separate Baptist
- Separate Baptists in Christ
- Seventh Day Baptist
- Southeast Conservative Baptist
- Southern Baptist Convention
- Southern Baptists of Texas
- Sovereign Grace Baptists
- Strict Baptists
- Two-Seed-in-the-Spirit Predestinarian Baptists
- Union d'Églises baptistes françaises au Canada
- United American Free Will Baptist Church
- United American Free Will Baptist Conference
- United Baptist
- United Baptist Convention of the Atlantic Provinces
- United Free Will Baptist
- Unregistered Baptist Fellowship
- World Baptist Fellowship

Spiritual Baptists

Note: The Spiritual Baptist Archdiocese of New York, Inc has congregationalist affiliations for the purpose of cooperation, in which each local church is governmentally independent.

- The Spiritual Baptist Archdiocese of New York, Inc.

Apostolic Churches - Irvingites

- Apostolic Catholic Church (ACC)
- Catholic Apostolic Church
 - New Apostolic Church
 - United Apostolic Church
 - Old Apostolic Church
 - Restored Apostolic Mission Church

Pentecostalism

Main article: Pentecostalism

See also: List_of_Christian_denominations#Oneness_Pentecostalism

- Apostolic Church
- Apostolic Faith Church
- Apostolic Faith Mission of South Africa
- Assemblies of God
- Church of God of the Union Assembly
- Church of God with Signs Following
- Church of the Foursquare Gospel in the Philippines

- Assembleias de Deus
- Assemblies of God in New Zealand
- Assemblies of God in the United Kingdom
- Assemblies of God in Vietnam
- Australian Christian Churches
- General Council of the Assemblies of God of the United States
- Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada
- Australian Fellowship of Faith Churches and Ministers Int. (AFFCMI)
- Believers Church
- Bible-Pattern Church Fellowship
- Calvary Holiness Association
- Communion of Evangelical Episcopal Churches
- Charisma Christian Church
- Christ Gospel Churches International
- Christian City Churches
- Christian Church of North America
- Christian Congregation of Brazil
- Christian Outreach Centre
- Christian Revival Crusade
- Church of God (Charleston, Tennessee)
- Church of God (Chattanooga)
- Church of God (Cleveland)
- Church of God (Huntsville, Alabama)
- The Church of God (Jerusalem Acres)
- Church of God by Faith
- The Church of God for All Nations
- Church of God, House of Prayer
- Church of God in Christ
- Church of God Mountain Assembly
- Church of God of Prophecy
- Church of God of the Original Mountain Assembly
- Church of the Little Children of Jesus Christ
- Congregational Holiness Church
- CRC Churches International
- Destiny Church
- Elim Fellowship
- Elim Pentecostal Church
- Evangelical Pentecostal Church of Besançon
- Every Nation Churches
- The Fellowship (FGFCMI)
- Fire Baptized Holiness Church of God of the Americas
- Free Apostolic Church of Pentecost
- Gereja Pantekosta di Indonesia
- God is Love Pentecostal Church
- Holiness Baptist Association
- Independent Assemblies of God, International
- Indian Pentecostal Church of God
- International Church of the Foursquare Gospel
- International Pentecostal Church of Christ
- International Pentecostal Holiness Church
- Life Application Gospel Ministries International
- Mission of Full Gospel - Christian Open Door
- New Life Churches
- New Testament Christian Churches of America, Inc
- Open Bible Standard Churches
- Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada
- Pentecostal/Charismatic Churches of North America
- Pentecostal Church of God
- Pentecostal Free Will Baptist Church
- The Pentecostal Mission
- Pentecostal World Conference
- Potter's House Christian Fellowship
- Redeemed Christian Church of God
- Revival Centres International
- The Revival Fellowship
- United Gospel Tabernacles
- United Holy Church of America

Charismatics

Main article: Charismatic movement

See also: Catholic Charismatic Renewal

- Association of Vineyard Churches
- Calvary Chapel
- Charismatic Episcopal Church
- City Harvest Church
- Faith Christian Fellowship International
- Full Gospel
- Jesus Army
- Ministries of His Glory
- Ministries Without Borders
- New Frontiers
- Sovereign Grace Ministries

Neo-Charismatic Churches

- Bible Christian Mission
- Local churches
- Destiny Church Groningen
- Born Again Movement
- New Life Fellowship
- True Jesus Church

African Initiated Churches

Main article: African Initiated Church

- Apostles of Johane Marauke
- Christ Apostolic Miracle Ministry
- Celestial Church of Christ
- Christ Apostolic Church
- Church of the Lord (Aladura)
- Eternal Sacred Order of Cherubim and Seraphim
- Kimbanguist Church
- Zion Christian Church

United and uniting churches

Churches which are the result of a merger between distinct denominational churches. Churches are listed here when their disparate heritage marks them as inappropriately listed in the particular categories above.

Main article: United and uniting churches

- China Christian Council
- Church of Bangladesh
- Church of Pakistan
- Church of North India
- Church of South India
- Evangelical Church in Germany
- Mar Thoma Church
- Protestant Church in the Netherlands
- St. Thomas Evangelical Church
- United Church of Canada
- United Church in Jamaica and the Cayman Islands
- United Church in Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands
- United Church of Christ in the Philippines
- Uniting Church in Australia

Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)

Main article: Religious Society of Friends

- Evangelical Friends International
- Friends General Conference
- Friends United Meeting

Note: The Religious Society of Friends is historically considered a Protestant denomination. While Evangelical Friends and most members of the Friends United Meeting would consider themselves Protestant Christians, many Quakers today consider their faith to be a distinct, non-Protestant form of Christianity, with no compulsory beliefs or creeds. Some Friends General Conference Quakers are "post-Christian" and some non-theists.

Stone-Campbell Restoration Movement

Main article: Restoration Movement

See also: Restorationism and Second Great Awakening

- Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
- Churches of Christ
- Churches of Christ (non-institutional)
- Evangelical Christian Church in Canada (Christian Disciples)
- Independent Christian Churches/Churches of

- Churches of Christ in Australia
- Christ
- International Churches of Christ (Boston Movement)

Southcottites

- Christian Israelite Church

Millerites and Comparable groups

See also: List_of_Christian_denominations#Bible Student Groups

Sabbath Keeping Churches, Adventist

- Adventist Church of Promise
- Creation Seventh Day Adventist Church
- General Conference of the Church of God (Seventh-Day)
- Seventh-day Adventist Church
- Seventh Day Adventist Reform Movement

Sabbath-Keeping Churches, Non-Adventist

- Branch Davidians
- Church of the Great God
- Living Church of God
- Philadelphia Church of God
- True Jesus Church
- United Church of God
- United Seventh-Day Brethren

Sunday Adventists

- Advent Christian Church
- Church of God General Conference (Abrahamic Faith)
- Church of the Blessed Hope (aka Church of God of the Abrahamic Faith)

Sacred Name Groups

- Assemblies of Yahweh
- House of Yahweh
- New Life Fellowship

British-Israelism

Main article: British Israelism

- British-Israel-World Federation
- Christian Identity and other white separatist/supremacist groups
 - Church of Jesus Christ-Christian (Aryan Nations)
 - Kingdom Identity Ministries
 - LaPorte Church of Christ
- The Covenant, The Sword, and the Arm of the Lord
- Revival Centres International
- The Revival Fellowship
- Worldwide Church of God

Miscellaneous/Other

- Associated Gospel Churches of Canada (AGC)
- Great Commission Association
- Shakers

- Children of God a.k.a. "The Family International", "Family of Love", "The Family"
- Church of Christ, Instrumental (Kelleyites)
- Christian Conventions (aka *Two by Twos*, *The Truth, The Way*)
- Christian & Missionary Alliance
- Cooneyites (not to be confused with *Christian Conventions*, above)
- Eternal Grace
- Evangelical Church of West Africa
- Evangelical Covenant Church of America ("Swedish Evangelical Mission Covenant")
- Evangelical Free Church of Canada
- Fellowship of Fundamental Bible Churches
- Grace Movement Churches
- Indian Shakers
- Jesus Movement
- Methernitha
- Metropolitan Community Churches
- Native American Church
- New Frontiers (formerly New Frontiers International)
- Schwenkfelder Church
- Strigolniki
- Universal Life
- Yehowists (aka Yehowists-Ilyinites, Russian Jehovists)

Latter Day Saints

Main articles: Latter Day Saint movement and Mormonism

Most Latter Day Saint denominations are derived from the Church of Christ established by Joseph Smith, Jr. in 1830. The majority of "Prairie Saint" denominations were established after the death of Smith by the remnants of the saints who did not go west with Brigham Young. The Rocky Mountain denominations are various sects who broke from The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints after its abandonment of polygamy in 1890. Other denominations are defined by either a belief in Joseph Smith as a prophet, or acceptance of the Book of Mormon as scripture. Mormonism is generally considered part of restorationism, believing that Smith restored the original Church of Christ to the Earth. Some Latter Day Saint denominations are regarded by other Christians as being nontrinitarian, but generally do not accept that label themselves, in contrast to the groups labelled "nontrinitarian" below.

"Prairie Saint" denominations

- Church of Christ (Temple Lot) (Hedrickites)
- Church of Christ with the Elijah Message
- Church of Jesus Christ (Bickertonite)
- Church of Jesus Christ (Cutlerite)
- Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (Strangite)
- Community of Christ, formerly called Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (RLDS) (largest "Prairie Saint" denomination)
- Remnant Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
- Independent RLDS / Restoration Branches
- Restoration Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
- Restored Church of Jesus Christ (Eugene O. Walton)

Rocky Mountains denominations

- Apostolic United Brethren
- The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (LDS Church) - by far the largest Latter Day Saint denomination
- Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (FLDS)
- Latter Day Church of Christ (Kingston Clan)
- The True and Living Church of Jesus Christ of Saints of the Last Days

Other denominations

- Aaronic Order
- Restoration Church of Jesus Christ

Nontrinitarian groups

Main article: Nontrinitarianism

Various denominations whose self-understanding denies trinitarian theology held by other Christians.

Oneness Pentecostalism

Main article: Oneness Pentecostalism

- Apostolic Assemblies of Christ
- Apostolic Assembly of the Faith in Christ Jesus
- Apostolic Brethren
- Apostolic Gospel Church of Jesus Christ
- Apostolic Overcoming Holy Church of God
- Assemblies of the Lord Jesus Christ
- Bible Way Church of Our Lord Jesus Christ
- Church of Jesus Christ
- Church of Our Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostolic Faith
- House of Prayer Christian Church
- Pentecostal Assemblies of the World
- United Pentecostal Church International

Unitarianism and Universalism

Main articles: Unitarianism and Christian Universalism

See also: Unitarian Universalism

- American Unitarian Conference
- International Council of Unitarians and Universalists
 - Australian and New Zealand Unitarian Universalist Association (ANZUUA)
 - Canadian Unitarian Council
 - Deutsche Unitarier Religionsgemeinschaft, Germany
 - European Unitarian Universalists
 - General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches, United Kingdom & Ireland
 - Unitarian Universalist Association
 - Unitarian Universalist Society of Spain
 - Unitarisk Kirkesamfund, Denmark
- Socinianism (extinct as a modern and distinct group)
 - Polish Brethren (extinct as a modern and distinct group)

Bible Student groups

Main article: Bible Student movement

- Christian Millennial Fellowship
- Dawn Bible Students Association
- Jehovah's Witnesses
- Layman's Home Missionary Movement
- Pastoral Bible Institute

Swedenborgianism

Main article: Swedenborgianism

See also: The New Church

- General Church of the New Jerusalem
- Swedenborgian Church of North America formerly *General Convention of the New Jerusalem*

Other non-Trinitarians

- Christadelphians
- Christian Conventions (aka, Assemblies of Christians, Two-by-Twos, The Truth, etc.)
- Church of Christ, Scientist
- Church of the Blessed Hope (one of the groups otherwise known as Church of God of the Abrahamic Faith)
- Doukhobors ("Spirit-Wrestlers")
- Friends of Man
- Iglesia ni Cristo
- Makuya
- Members Church of God International
- Molokans
- Most Holy Church of God in Christ Jesus
- Subbotniks
- Unification Church
- Universal Alliance

Messianic Judaism

Main article: Messianic Judaism

See also: Messianic Movement and Messianic Jewish theology

- Chosen People Ministries
- Jews for Jesus
- Messianic Bureau International
- Messianic Jewish Alliance of America
- Union of Messianic Jewish Congregations (UMJC)

New Thought

Main article: New Thought

The relation of New Thought to Christianity is sometimes murky; some of its adherents see themselves as practicing a true or correct form of Christianity, or as doing what Jesus did, while others are more distant from Christian self-expression. In particular, Religious Science says "yes and no" to the question of whether it considers itself Christian.^[6] The two groups listed below include a clearer statement in which they identify themselves as Christian.

- Church of Divine Science^[7]
- Unity Church^[8]

Syncretistic religions incorporating elements of Christianity

The relation of these movements to other Christian ideas can be remote. They are listed here because they include some elements of Christian practice or beliefs, within religious contexts which may be only loosely characterized as Christian.

- Candomblé
- Vodou
- Rastafari movement
- Santería
- Santo Daime

- Umbanda

Esoteric Christianity

Main articles: Esoteric Christianity and Western Mystery Tradition

See also: Johannine literature and Lazarus

- Anthroposophical Society of Rudolf Steiner
- Archeosophical Society of Tommaso Palamidessi
- Lectorium Rosicrucianum of Jan van Rijckenborgh/Catharose de Petri
- Martinism of Louis Claude de Saint-Martin et al.
- Societas Rosicruciana by Masons
- The Rosicrucian Fellowship of Max Heindel

See also

- List of Christian denominations by number of members
- List of the largest Protestant churches of the world
- Parachurch organization
- Denominationalism
- List of religions
- Christian cults
- Timeline of Christianity

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