

Church Covenant

Having been led by the Holy Spirit of God to receive Jesus Christ as Savior and to confess Him as Lord, and having been baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, we do now, in the presence of God and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully covenant with one another, as one body in Christ, to lead a life worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to Him.

We promise, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to forsake the ways of sin and to walk together in Christian love and in the paths of righteousness. With this in view, we promise to strive together for both the peace and purity of this church; to gather together for worship and to cherish and hold its ordinances, disciplines, and doctrines. In the measure that God prospers each of us, we accept the responsibility for the work of the local church and the world-wide ministry of spreading the Gospel.

We also endeavor to maintain private devotions; to teach the Bible to our children; to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to be just in our dealings and faithful in our engagements; to be exemplary in our behavior; to avoid unkind words and unrighteous anger; to abstain from every form of evil; to combine zeal and knowledge in our efforts to advance the cause of Our Savior; to make Christ first in all things both spiritual and temporal.

We further promise to give and receive admonition with meekness and affection; to remember each other in prayer, and to aid each other in sickness and distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense, but always seeking reconciliation; to encourage one another in the blessed hope of Our Lord's return.

We moreover promise that when we move from this place, we will as soon as possible unite with some local church where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of the Word of God.

