

Membership Covenant

By the grace of God, we have been led to repent of our sin and trust in our Lord Jesus Christ. We have confessed our faith and been baptized in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Now, therefore, in the presence of God and by His grace, we joyfully and solemnly enter into a covenant with the members of this local church.

We commit to walk together in Christian love through the power of the Holy Spirit and to strive for the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

We purpose to watch over one another in brotherly love, to remember one another in prayer, to help one another in sickness and distress, and to cultivate Christian compassion and courtesy.

We pledge to sustain the Church's worship, doctrine, and discipline.

We reject all doctrine and practices contrary to God's Word.

We will strive by God's grace and power to live as Christ in the world; and denying ungodliness and worldly lusts we will seek to fulfill our calling to lead a holy life.

We will both submit to the Church's discipline upon ourselves and lovingly assume our responsibility to participate in the discipline of other members, as taught in Scripture.

We resolve to practice personal and family worship, to raise our children in the training and admonition of the Lord, and to seek the salvation of our family, friends, and neighbors, and of all the world.

We will contribute cheerfully and regularly to this Church for its general ministry and expenses, the relief of the poor, the cause of reformation and revival, and the spread of the Gospel throughout all nations.

We commit to seek and spread a passion for the supremacy of God in all things by the power of the Holy Spirit for the glory of Jesus Christ.

Doctrinal Statement

We joyfully embrace the Holy Scriptures, as originally given, as the inspired, infallible, and inerrant Word of God. As such, the Bible is our sole authority in all matters of faith and practice and we confess the doctrines taught therein. We affirm the following statements as a faithful summary of biblical doctrine:

There is only one, true, and living God, the Holy Trinity of Divine Persons in perfect unity, immutable, co-equal, co-eternal, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and sovereign in creation, providence, and redemption.

The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ is holy, righteous, and full of grace and love. In His infinite love He sent forth the Son, that the world through Him might be saved.

The Lord Jesus Christ is the only incarnate Son of God, born of the virgin Mary, conceived by the Holy Spirit, His manhood was real and sinless, and His teaching free from error. By His death on the Cross He made substitutionary atonement and a perfect offering for our sins. He triumphed over death, sin and Satan; He rose bodily from the grave, ascended into heaven, where He now sits at the right hand of God.

This Holy Spirit is the third Person of the Godhead, the Agent of regeneration, by whom men are brought to conviction, repentance, and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, and who indwells the believer for sanctification. The Holy Spirit guides the worship and ministry of the Church, and empowers Her life and witness.

As a consequence of sin human nature became guilty and depraved, so that all men are subject to the penalty which, in His wrath, God has decreed against sin. Notwithstanding, those who remain unrepentant are fully responsible for their willful continuance in sin and unbelief.

Through faith alone in the Lord Jesus Christ, and on the basis of His death, sinners are freely justified by God, who forgives all their sins as they are reckoned to Christ, whose righteousness is reckoned to them. Salvation is therefore by grace, and not by human merit or work.

Those who are chosen by God the Father and redeemed by the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ and sanctified by the Holy Spirit are members of the universal Church, the body of which Christ is the head. This Church finds visible expression in local churches, each of whom should manifest union with Christ in preserving purity of life and doctrine, avoiding schism and false teaching.

The Lord Jesus Christ will return visibly, and personally in power and glory when there is to be a resurrection and final judgment of all men, issuing in eternal blessedness for believers and eternal punishment for the wicked.