



Grace Chapel Covenant

We believe that the Holy Spirit of God has drawn us to follow Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior. We have publicly confessed our faith through believers' baptism. Following in the footsteps of the saints who have gone before us, we both joyfully and thoughtfully enter into covenant with one another in the presence of God and the angels and the people of this fellowship.

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit to a common life, which is characterized by the love of Christ. Together we will do all we can to pursue Godly knowledge, holiness, spiritual care and the expansion of this fellowship. We will regularly engage in worship and the celebration of baptism and communion. We will hold one another accountable to the discipline of Christ-likeness, and we will ground our lives in Christian doctrine. We will contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the church, the relief of the poor and the spread of the Gospel through all the nations.

We pledge to engage in family and private worship, to teach our children the ways of Christ and the content of Scripture. We commit to speak of our faith to our friends and family. In the world beyond the church, we will strive to live Christ-like lives. In our work, we will be honorable; in our commitments and vows, we will be faithful. And in our personal behavior, we will be people of integrity. We renounce the temptations to gossip and uncontrolled anger. We will be restrained in our wants and responsible in the use of our money. We will be advocates of biblical justice and reconciliation in human affairs. We will resist evil and any appearance of it that offends others. In contrast, we will do all we can to advance the Kingdom of God.

We will care for one another in Christian love. We will pray for one another, come to each other's aid in times of sickness and difficulty. We will be sensitive to each other's feelings and respectful toward one another in our communications. When we have been offended, we will not strike back. And when we have done wrong, we will acknowledge our responsibility. Together we will pursue the ways of forgiveness and reconciliation, and, as Jesus taught, to do it as quickly as possible.

Finally, we promise that if the day comes when we are led of God to leave this congregation, we will unite as soon as possible with another congregation where we can continue our commitment to the spirit of this covenant and the teaching of God's Word.