## CHURCH COVENANT

This church adopts the following as our church covenant:

Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior;

And on the profession of our faith, 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, angels, and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another, as one body in Christ.

We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of this church in knowledge, holiness, and comfort;

To promote its fruitfulness and spiritual health, to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline, and doctrines;

To 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 nations.

To be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Savior.

We will endeavor to raise the children under our care in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, and by a pure and loving example to seek the salvation of our family and friends.

We will seek, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to live carefully in the world, being just in our dealings and exemplary in our conduct, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, and remembering that, as we have been voluntarily buried by baptism and raised again from the symbolic grave, so there is on us a special obligation now to lead a new and holy life.

We will strive to avoid all tattling, backbiting, gossip, and ungodly anger.

We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together, recognizing the priority we must place on corporate worship.

We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love; to remember each other in prayer; to aid each other in sickness and distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling; to speak the truth in love; to be slow to take offense but always seeking reconciliation, and mindful of the rules of our Savior, to secure it without delay.

We agree to be bound by the Articles of Incorporation, Constitution and Bylaws of the church, including the church disciplinary process.

We moreover commit that when we remove from this place we will, as soon as possible, unite with a gospel preaching church, where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's Word.