



bethany community church
MEMBERSHIP COVENANT

To the new members:

Do you believe in one God, Creator and Lord of all?

I do.

Do you believe in his Son Jesus Christ, in whom the Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us?

I do.

Do you believe that Jesus suffered and died on the cross, defeating the forces of evil in this world, and atoning for the sins of humankind?

I do.

Do you believe that he rose from the dead, as Lord of a new creation in which sins are forgiven and new life is given to all who believe?

I do.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, who indwells all believers and unites us in the body of Christ?

I do.

Do you believe that Jesus Christ will return to judge every nation and every human being, and to reign over the earth in righteousness and peace?

I do.

Do you believe in the Church, made up of all believers, called together to bear witness to the hope that we have in Christ?

I do.

Will you now join Bethany Community Church in our mission to bear witness to that hope?

I will.

Will you honor the unity and integrity of the body, refusing especially to gossip, slander, mislead, or behave in any way that would turn your brothers and sisters in Christ against one another?

I will.

Will you share in the work of this church, contributing your time, finances, prayers, and talents as God gives you opportunity?

I will.

Will you present your whole life as a testimony to Christ – your financial choices, your sexual choices, the words you use and the activities you pursue – will you be accountable to your brothers and sisters in these areas, and hold us accountable as well?

I will.

Will you worship with us, pray with us, forgive us and allow us to forgive you, bear our burdens and allow us to bear yours, rejoice with us in our joys and suffer with us in our trials?

I will.

To the congregation:

Will you welcome these brothers and sisters into the family, opening up to them a place of grace and healing, truth and patience, hope and peace?

We will.

Will you, in the name of Christ, serve them, pray for them, forgive them, encourage them, and invite them into your lives as God gives you opportunity?

We will.