

## **CSBC Covenant**

Having been led by the Spirit of God to profess our faith in Jesus Christ and having been baptized in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, we do now solemnly and joyfully affirm our covenant with God and with each other.

We pledge to serve Christ in the fellowship of this congregation. We shall endeavor to love one another, to remember one another in prayer. We aspire to be a fellowship of the concerned, where the lost may find Jesus Christ, sinners may find pardon, seekers may find meaning for their lives, and where all who come may find welcome. We shall strive to be responsible Church members through faithful attendance, study and giving. We shall strive for the unity of this Church praying for, helping, serving, forgiving, speaking only that which builds up or imparts grace.

We shall seek to be obedient to Christ in our daily living. Within our homes, in our labor, and while at leisure, we shall strive for attitudes and actions which reflect God's Spirit working through us. We pledge to maintain family and individual devotions, to educate our children in the Christian faith and to seek the salvation of our family and acquaintances. Believing that our bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, we shall endeavor to avoid experiences and habits which defile the body and hinder our witness. Bound together in a fellowship of faith with all who confess Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, we shall pray and labor for a spirit of unity among all Christians.

Believing that our call to be a Church is a call to witness in the world, we dedicate ourselves anew as servants of the Lord of all life. Whenever men are in bondage to ignorance, poverty, fear or prejudice, we shall strive for justice, freedom, dignity and peace. Whenever men are separated by barriers of hostility and distrust, we shall be ministers of God's reconciling love. As we pledge our support to the work of our missionaries throughout the world, we commit ourselves to the mission to which God calls us all.

Acknowledging our human frailties and our need for forgiveness, we profess our need to be controlled by the Holy Spirit and commit our lives to Jesus Christ.