## OUR MEMBERSHIP COVENANT

Having, as we trust, been brought by divine grace to repent and believe in Jesus Christ and to give up ourselves to Him as the LORD, Savior, and Supreme Treasure of our lives, and having been baptized upon our profession of faith, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, we do now in the presence of God, relying on His gracious aid, solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with each other.

We will work and pray for the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace as we biblically welcome and test instruction from the Scriptures, seeking to grow toward biblical unity in the truth. We will refrain from causing division by not teaching or following doctrine that contradicts God's Word. We will adhere to the basic tenets of Scripture as outlined in the Baptist Faith and Message, 2000, and will abide by the biblical definition of marriage as stated in CrossPoint's Statement on Marriage and Sexuality. (Heb 12:14; Eph 4:1-3; Acts 17:11; Matt 19:3-6; Rom 1:26-27; 1 Cor 6:9-11)

We will walk together in brotherly love, as become the members of a Christian Church, exercise an affectionate care and watchfulness over each other and faithfully admonish and entreat one another as occasion may require. (Eph 4:1-3; Gal 6:1-2, 10; Col 3:16; Rom 12:10) We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together, nor neglect to pray for ourselves and others. We will use our spiritual gifts for the building up of the church. (Heb 10:24-25; Col 4:2; Rom 12:3-8

We will endeavor to bring up those whom God entrusts to us in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, and, by a pure and loving example, seek the salvation of our family and friends. (Deut 6:4-9; Eph 6:4; 1 Thess 4:1-8)

We will rejoice in each other's happiness and endeavor with tenderness and sympathy to bear each other's burdens and sorrows. (Gal 6:2; Rom 12:15)

We will seek, by Divine aid, to live carefully in the world, being just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our behavior; to avoid all gossiping, backbiting, and excessive anger; to seek God's help in abstaining from all practices which bring unwarranted harm to the Body or jeopardize our own or another's faith; to deny 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. (Rom 6:1-14, 12:1-2; Eph 4:25-32, 5:1-2, 15-21; Phil 2:14-16

We will work together for the continuance of a faithful evangelical ministry in this church, striving to advance Christ's kingdom as we sustain CrossPoint's worship, ordinances, discipline, and doctrines. We will submit to biblical authority in resolving conflicts within the church according to Matthew 18:15-20. We will contribute cheerfully, sacrificially 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. (Acts 2:42-47; 2 Cor 8-9; Matt 28:1820)

We will, when we move from CrossPoint, as soon as possible unite with some other church where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's Word. (Heb 10:24-25) May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all. Amen.

