



CHRISTCHURCHVIENNA Membership Covenant

I. The Baptismal Covenant

(The Book of Common Prayer, pages 304-305)

A. *The Apostles Creed*

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

I believe these foundational and historic truths of the Christian faith.

Name _____ Signature _____ Date _____

B. *Commitment to Christian Discipleship*

- Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?
- Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?
- Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?
- Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
- Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

I will, with God's help, commit myself to Christian discipleship.

Name _____ Signature _____ Date _____



II. CCV Vision & Values

CHRIST CHURCH VIENNA IS A GOSPEL DRIVEN, EXTERNALLY FOCUSED,
EXTENDED FAMILY, ANGLICAN MISSION FOR VIENNA, VA

GOSPEL DRIVEN: *Christ Church Vienna is driven by the gospel of grace found in Jesus Christ*

- Allowing the gospel of Jesus Christ to define our identity and worldview
- Growing in our knowledge of God, our maturity in Christ, and our reliance on the Holy Spirit
- Appropriating God's grace through Jesus Christ every day—increasing our dependence on Christ and our humility with one another
- Cultivating a deeper whole-Bible theology and integrating it into our lives

EXTERNALLY FOCUSED: *Christ Church Vienna is externally focused, outwardly facing and missional*

- Seeking gospel transformation for ourselves and for all people
- Being involved in the lives of the people around us in our neighborhoods, schools and workplaces
- Sharing the good news of Jesus Christ crucified and risen, our hope and salvation
- Pushing back the effects of sin and darkness and caring for the broken and needy

EXTENDED FAMILY: *Christ Church Vienna is an extended family of believers in Jesus Christ*

- Loving one another as an extended family: having fun, caring for one another, developing deeper relationships, committed to one another
- Experiencing a glimpse of eternity through our corporate life, where people of various ages, races and backgrounds share grace, forgiveness, joy and mercy with one another

ANGLICAN MISSION: *Christ Church Vienna is Anglican in worship form and governance*

- Utilizing the Anglican Book(s) of Common Prayer to arrange and facilitate our liturgy, and regularly celebrating the Lord's Supper and baptism
- Leading and governing the church through bishops, presbyters (elders), deacons, a church council (vestry), and lay leaders

FOR VIENNA: *Christ Church Vienna exists for the community of Vienna, VA*

- Functioning not just *in* Vienna, but *for* Vienna; seeking the welfare of our town
- Pursuing God's purposes for this community through our presence, relationships, involvement and vocations
- Breaking down walls between the secular and the sacred

I understand the Vision & Values of Christ Church Vienna and I desire to fulfill my calling as a member of this church.

Name

Signature

Date