

A Covenant of Ministerial Ethics

As a minister called of God to serve this church, I commit myself to these ethical practices:

I will continuously cultivate my relationship with the Lord that I may grow more and more into the image of Jesus, my Savior and Lord.

I will conduct myself in a way that exemplifies the gospel I preach, demonstrating what it means to be a Christian.

I will nurture strong relationships with my family.

I will develop relationships with friends and colleagues that will help hold me accountable for proper behavior.

I will demonstrate sexual integrity in ministry by observing these forbidden boundaries:

- Sexual relations outside marriage.
- Unwanted or inappropriate physical contact.
- Improper behaviors such as suggestive speech, either verbal or written.
- The use of pornography.

I will submit to the church-adopted policies and procedures for responding to an allegation of sexual misconduct. If I am guilty of such misbehavior, I will confess and resign. If there is credible evidence of misconduct, I will resign. I will permit full disclosure of information to be made to the deacons or a comparable authoritative body which could include the congregation. Further, I will accept that factual information will be revealed to inquiring churches considering me as their minister.

Signed: _____

Dated: _____