



# VISION

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*To lead people to become Christ-centered disciples*

# JOURNEY

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## OWNING

*We take responsibility for our personal journey with Jesus.*

## PARTNERING

*We devote ourselves to fellowship as we experience life together.*

## INVESTING

*We invest our time, talents and resources as we serve others sacrificially.*

# MEMBERSHIP COVENANT



As a member of Capital Church, I, \_\_\_\_\_, make the following commitments:

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## OWNING

*We take responsibility for our personal journey with Jesus (Philippians 2:12-13).*

To take responsibility for my spiritual growth by proactively pursuing steps that draw me closer to Christ (Philippians 2:12-13; 1 Timothy 4:7-8).

To actively nurture and exercise greater love for God and others (Mark 12:30-31).

To pursue God and allow His power to transform my life (John 15:4-5; Romans 12:1-2).

To hold fast to the cardinal doctrines of Scripture as those are understood within the history of the Christian faith, and to practice loving tolerance in matters of non-cardinal doctrine (Romans 14:1ff, 1 Corinthians 15:3-4).

To seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit and ask for wisdom and maturity for my daily decisions (James 1:5).

To avoid what the Bible identifies as immoral or otherwise ungodly conduct, and embrace conduct that the Bible indicates glorifies God (Galatians 5:16, 24-25).

To uphold a positive witness of Jesus Christ expressed through baptism (Acts 2:38), personal lifestyle (1 Peter 2:11-12), and the communicating of my faith (Matthew 28:19; 1 Peter 3:15-16; Colossians 4:5-6).

## PARTNERING

*We devote ourselves to fellowship as we experience life together (Philemon 6; Acts 2:42).*

To seek new and foster existing relationships with other Christ followers who will encourage me on my journey with Jesus (Acts 2:42; Ecclesiastes 4:9-10; Hebrews 10:25).

To encourage the members, attendees, and guests of Capital Church (1 Peter 4:8-9), and to actively promote unity as we journey together (Philippians 2:1-4).

To devote myself to authentic biblical relationships that will hold me accountable to a commitment toward Christ-centeredness (Hebrews 10:24; Proverbs 27:17).

To faithfully support the mission and the leadership of Capital Church as we journey together following Jesus (1 Corinthians 1:10).

## INVESTING

*We invest our time, talents and resources as we serve others sacrificially (1 John 3:16-17; 1 Timothy 6:17-19).*

To follow Christ's example and practice love for others through acts of service (Matthew 20:28; John 13:12-17).

To utilize my God-given time and talents in ministering to others (Matthew 25:14-30)

To be a faithful steward of God's grace by using my spiritual gift(s) to serve others (1 Peter 4:10).

To support Capital and other ministries of Christ's Kingdom by giving joyfully of my financial resources, embracing the spiritual discipline of stewardship and practicing increased generosity (2 Corinthians 9:6-15).

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# STATEMENT OF BELIEFS

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## **We believe in the Bible.**

The Bible is the completely true story of God. In it we learn about who God is, what he has done, what he is doing, and what he will do. We also discover his plans for us and the way he wants us to live. The Bible comes to us from God by way of human writers, whose influence can be seen in areas of culture, style, and language; but because the Bible comes from God, it is unlike any other book ever written, and having final authority on all matters to which it speaks.

(Proverbs 30:5; 2 Timothy 3:16-17; 2 Peter 1:16-21)

## **We believe in the God of the Bible.**

There is only one living and true God, holy, eternal, all-powerful, all-knowing, all-wise, ever-present, righteous, just, and unchanging. In the Bible we discover that God is spirit, and exists as three persons—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—living and working in perfect harmony. God created and sustains all things by his powerful word, and has a perfect purpose for all of creation. The Bible also tells us that God is loving, patient, merciful and gracious, and that he desires to have an intimate, life-transforming relationship with each of us. He invites us to enjoy life with him, a life that is abundant and eternal in his presence.

(Deuteronomy 6:4; 1 Corinthians 8:4; 1 Peter 1:16; Isaiah 57:15; Deuteronomy 33:27; Exodus 6:3; Psalm 139:1-18; Psalm 36:6; Hebrews 4:13; James 1:17; Revelation 4:8; John 4:24; Matthew 3:16-17; John 14:16-17; 1 Peter 1:2; 2 Corinthians 13:14; Genesis 1:1-31; Hebrews 1:3; Jeremiah 29:11; 1 John 4:8,16; 2 Peter 3:9; James 5:11; Psalm 145:8; John 10:10; John 17:3; John 5:24; John 3:16)

## **We believe in Jesus Christ, God's Son.**

From its earliest days, humanity has repeatedly rejected the friendship and life of God. This rejection distances us from him and denies us what he desires for us. In an effort to end the separation and restore the relationship, Jesus Christ, himself fully God, entered the world by being born as a fully human baby. During his ministry, Jesus called all people to return to God, and he perfectly demonstrated what a life of unbroken relationship with God looks like. Then, through his death and return to life, he removed the sin that separated us from God. By placing our faith in Jesus and in what he has done for us, our relationship with God is restored, and we become part of his family forever. Meanwhile, Jesus sits in heaven with the Father, representing us, praying for us, and waiting for the time when he will return for his people.

(Romans 3:10-11; Isaiah 59:1-3; Isaiah 9:6-7; John 1:1-5; 3:16; Romans 1:3-4; 3:21-26; 1 Corinthians 15:3-6; Ephesians 2:8-9; John 1:12; 1 Peter 3:21,22; 1 John 2:1-2; John 14:1-7; Revelation 3:20)

## **We believe in the Holy Spirit.**

God is at work in the world today through the Holy Spirit. The Spirit calls all people to return to God and enjoy the eternal life made available through Jesus. He is at work within us, teaching us the truth and applying God's work in our lives. He is also the one who equips us with the gifts and power we need to partner with God in his plans for the world.

(John 14:16-17; 16:7-13; Acts 1:8; Galatians 5:16-26; 1 Corinthians 12:1-11; Matthew 28:19-20)

## **We believe in the Church.**

The Church is the worldwide community of people who live as followers of Christ. The Church is called by God to serve in the fulfillment of his loving vision for the world. Capital is one local expression of this worldwide community. We gather regularly to worship, to encourage one another, and to use our time, talents, and resources to extend God's love and purpose to others.

(Acts 2:42-47; Romans 12:1-8; Hebrews 10:24-25)