

Code of Ethics for Pastor Search Committee Members:

All those who have been privileged to become involved in this search certainly realize their fellow members have a great deal of confidence in them personally and spiritually. Each one should be encouraged by this, and called to a solemn sense of responsibility. Let us covenant together to preserve a prayerful and effective service for our Lord in every aspect of the matter before us.

We will pledge to pray daily for each other and to remain in a constant vigil for matters in our congregation that may encourage or discourage our assigned task:

- 1. We pledge to speak plainly and with honest intent regarding all matters to be considered.*
- 2. We will not knowingly withhold thoughts or reports which bear impact upon our task, but will with careful attention to the honor and testimony of our brothers and sisters, offer a fair and factual statement to the committee in session for the purpose of its deliberation and counsel.*
- 3. We pledge to receive all information, discuss all information, and meditate upon all information with a confidence that each speaker has spoken to the common good, without intent of harm or hurt to persons present or absent. We will look for the common encouragement found in each challenge and we shall resist opportunities, should such arise, to think less of one another.*
- 4. In all matters, our concern shall be first to seek our Heavenly Father's will and accordingly, submit attentively in prayer to His direction.*
- 5. In order to protect the integrity of our covenant, we pledge to uphold all confidentiality, taking care not to expose them to spouse and/or closest confidante.*
- 6. We will undertake this task as a spiritual challenge, recognizing our personal and corporate need for prayer and spiritual alertness (wisdom) in order to fully accomplish our work in the Lord. **AMEN.***