

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, 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, and will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

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. Amen

Gloria Patri

Will you be loyal to Christ through the Global Methodist Church and joining with you brothers and sisters around the world to do all in your power to fulfill its mission? Will you be a faithful member of Faith Community Global Methodist Church, doing all in your power to strengthen its ministries through your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service and your witness as Christ's representative in this world?

I will.

Brothers and sisters in Christ, I present to you charter members of Faith Community Methodist Church. May the God of all grace, who has called us to external glory in Christ, establish you and strengthen you by the power of the Holy Spirit, that you may live in grace and peace. Amen

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Psalm 100

¹ Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the lands!

² **Serve the LORD with gladness!**

Come into God's presence with singing!

³ Know that the Lord, who made us, is God.

We are the Lord's;

We are the people of God,

The sheep of God's pasture.

⁴ Enter God's gates with thanksgiving
and God's courts with praise.

Give thanks and bless God's name.

⁵ For the LORD is good;

God's steadfast love endures forever;

God's faithfulness to all generations.

Romans 6: 12-23

¹² Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body, that you should obey it in its lusts. ¹³ And do not present your members as instruments of unrighteousness to sin, but present yourselves to God as being alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to God. ¹⁴ For sin shall not have dominion over you, for you are not under law but under grace. ¹⁵ What then? Shall we sin because we are not under law but under grace? Certainly not! ¹⁶ Do you not know that to whom you present yourselves slaves to obey, you are that one's slaves whom you obey, whether of sin leading to death, or of obedience leading to righteousness? ¹⁷ But God be thanked that though you were slaves of sin, yet you obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine to which you were delivered. ¹⁸ And having been set free from sin, you became slaves of righteousness. ¹⁹ I speak in human terms because of the weakness of your flesh. For just as you presented your members as slaves of uncleanness, and of lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves of righteousness for holiness.

²⁰ For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. ²¹ What fruit did you have then in the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death. ²² But now having been set free from sin, and having become slaves of God, you have your fruit to holiness, and the end, everlasting life. ²³ For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Membership Covenant

Do you renounce the devil and all his works, and reject the evil powers of this world?

I renounce them.

Do you repent of your sin, turn to Jesus Christ, and confess Him as your Lord and Savior?

I do.

Do you receive and profess the Christian faith as contained in the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments?

I do.

Will you obediently keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in them all the days of your life by the grace and power of God?

I will.

Will you who witness these vows encourage these persons in the faith and do all in your power to support them in their life in Christ?

We will.