

A Behavioral Covenant for the Church of the Good Shepherd

We promise to pray, one and together, to thank God and to ask for God's help in our lives and in our work for our Church, and we promise to listen to God's answer to us.

People: We will, with God's help.

Our Promises to Our Church Family

We promise to demonstrate our leadership and commitment to our Church by our example.

People: We will, with God's help.

We promise to try to discover what is best for our Church as a whole, not what might be best for us or for some small group in the Church.

People: We will, with God's help.

Our Promises to Each Other

We promise to respect and care for each other.

People: We will, with God's help.

We promise to treat our time in meetings as opportunities to make an important gift to our Church.

People: We will, with God's help.

We promise not to repeat any hearsay or rumor.

People: We will, with God's help.

We promise to describe our own experience using the word "I," not using words such as "everyone" or "they."

People: We will, with God's help.

We promise to listen with an open, nonjudgmental mind to the words and ideas of others in our Church.

People: We will, with God's help.

We promise to discuss, debates and disagree openly in meetings, expressing ourselves as clearly and honestly as possible, so that we are certain that others understand our point of view.

People: We will, with God's help.

We promise to support the final decision when it is made, whether it reflects our view or not.

People: We will, with God's help. Amen!