COVENANT OF CANDIDATES FOR MINISTRY

L: Brothers: We have now been called as pastors of Christ’s church to live together, struggle together, rejoice together, forgive one another, and serve His kingdom together, with the assistance of Christ himself. I now ask you before God, each other, and all those here and listening online:

L: Do you promise to treat each other and every brother pastor with respect, patience, and loving care and concern? If so, say “I promise.”

Candidates: I promise.

L: Do you promise to be willing to seek unity, brotherly love, forgiveness, and harmony between brother pastors for the sake of the Gospel? If so, say “I promise.”

Candidates: I promise.

L: Do you promise to seek understanding in conflict, pray for the unity of faith, and explain everything in the kindest possible way? If so, say “I promise.”

Candidates: I promise.

L: Do you promise to live in humility, being willing to be held accountable to this promise by your brothers standing here with you? If so, say “I promise.”

Candidates: I promise.

L: Do you promise to faithfully encourage your brothers standing here to be accountable to this promise? If so, say “I promise, with the help of God.”

Candidates: I promise, with the help of God.

Candidates: God enable us to will and to do this according to His good pleasure. Amen.