



BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Form Received:

Distributed to Elders:

Application Letter mailed:

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Membership Letter mailed:

Personal Information

Name _____

Date _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Date of Birth _____

Place of Birth _____

Baptism: Date _____

Place _____

Confirmation: Date _____

Place _____

Are you coming to Bethel from another church? Yes No

If yes, please answer the following questions.

Name and Location of Church: _____

How were you involved there: Member Actively Involved Occasionally Attend

Family Information

Marital Status – Please check all that apply:

_____ Single

_____ Married Date _____

Spouse: _____

_____ Divorced Date _____

_____ Widow/Widower Date _____

_____ Remarried Date _____

Children

Date of Birth

Date & Location of Baptism

Please respond briefly to the following questions:

- Why is it your desire to become a member of Bethel Lutheran Church?

- Have you attended Bethel’s Discovery Class? If so, when? _____
(Discovery Class attendance is part of the membership process at Bethel. Please turn in one form for each person requesting membership once you have attended)

- Have you read the congregation’s constitution and statement of faith? _____
Are you in agreement with the constitution and statement of faith? _____
If not completely in harmony, what specifically concerns you and what are those areas where you would like further clarification and/or discussion?

- Membership in Bethel Lutheran Church is for those who confess Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. In a few sentences, briefly state how you came to faith in Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior and the basis for being assured of the forgiveness of sin.

CONFESSING MEMBERSHIP COVENANT

Having received Christ as my Lord and Savior and been baptized, and agreeing to support the mission and ministries of Bethel Lutheran Church, I now feel led to unite with the Bethel family. In doing so, I commit myself to God and to the other members to do the following:

1. I WILL SUPPORT THE TESTIMONY OF MY CHURCH
 - ...By living for God in everyday life
 - ...By worshipping regularly
 - ...By warmly welcoming those who visit
2. I WILL PROTECT THE UNITY OF MY CHURCH
 - ...By acting in love toward other members and friends of the congregation
 - ...By refusing to gossip
 - ...By following the leaders
3. I WILL SHARE THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR MY CHURCH
 - ...By praying for its growth
 - ...By giving financially
 - ...By inviting the unchurched to attend
4. I WILL CONNECT WITH THE FAMILY THAT IS MY CHURCH
 - ...By taking first initiative to build relationships
 - ...By giving myself to fellowship with others
 - ...By caring for the spiritual well-being of my brothers and sisters in Christ
5. I WILL SERVE THE MINISTRY OF MY CHURCH
 - ...By discovering my gifts and talents
 - ...By being equipped to serve by my pastors
 - ...By developing a servant’s heart

Signature _____

Please consider your gifts and Indicate how you would like to serve in the ministry of the church.

- I understand my spiritual gift(s) to be:

- I need help understanding my spiritual gifts. Yes/No

- Some skills/abilities I can use to serve are:

- I would like to serve at Bethel by: (area of ministry)

As an Elder Board, we would like to thank you for your interest in becoming a member of Bethel Lutheran Church. We look forward to visiting with you further regarding your interest in joining Bethel.