

The Covenant of the Congregational Church of South Glastonbury

UCC Statement of Faith

The COVENANT of CCSG (back of hymnal)

We acknowledge that we are God's people and stand within the covenant which God has made fully known to us through our Lord, Jesus Christ. In the tradition of those before us, who were upheld by their faith in this covenant, we will pray for the presence of the Holy Spirit to lead and empower our lives.

We covenant with one another, in a fellowship of Christian love and trust, to worship God together, study the Holy Scriptures and observe the sacraments. We commit ourselves to support the ministries of this Church, to witness in the world to God's reconciling love, and to walk together in God's ways made known or to be made known to us.

As a community of faith, we acknowledge our continuing need of God's grace and our dependence upon one another in the fulfillment of this covenant.

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We believe in you, O God, Eternal Spirit, God of our Savior Jesus Christ and our God,
and to your deeds we testify:

You call the worlds into being, create persons in your own image,
and set before each one the ways of life and death.

You seek in holy love to save all people from aimlessness and sin.

You judge people and nations by your righteous will declared through prophets and apostles.

In Jesus Christ, the man of Nazareth, our crucified and risen Savior,
you have come to us and shared our common lot,
conquering sin and death and reconciling the world to yourself.

You bestow upon us your Holy Spirit, creating and renewing the church of Jesus Christ,
binding in covenant faithful people of all ages, tongues, and races.

You call us into your church

to accept the cost and joy of discipleship, to be your servants in the service of others,
to proclaim the gospel to all the world and resist the powers of evil,
to share in Christ's baptism and eat at his table,
to join him in his passion and victory.

You promise to all who trust you

forgiveness of sins and fullness of grace,
courage in the struggle for justice and peace,
your presence in trial and rejoicing,
and eternal life in your realm which has no end.

Blessing and honor, glory and power be unto you. Amen.