

Membership Vows

The following text is taken from the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA) Book of Church Order (BCO), Chapter 57 – The Admission of Persons to Sealing Ordinances.

57-5. The time having come for the making of a public profession, and those who have been approved by the Session having taken their places in the presence of the congregation, the minister may state that:

Of the number of those who were baptized in infancy as members of the Church of God by birthright, and as heirs of the covenant promises, the Session has examined and approved (call them by name), who come now to assume for themselves the full privileges and responsibilities of their inheritance in the household of faith.

If there be present any candidates for Baptism, the minister may state that:

As applicants for admission into the Church of God by Baptism, which is a sign and seal of our engrafting into Christ, and of our engagement to be the Lord's, the Session has examined and approved (call them by name), who are cordially welcomed into the fellowship of the household of faith.

The minister may then address those making a profession in the following terms:

(All of) you being here present to make a public profession of faith, are to assent to the following declarations and promises, by which you enter into a solemn covenant with God and His Church.

- 1. Do you acknowledge yourselves to be sinners in the sight of God, justly deserving His displeasure, and without hope save in His sovereign mercy?**
- 2. Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel?**
- 3. Do you know resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Christ?**
- 4. Do you promise to support the Church in its worship and work to the best of your ability?**
- 5. Do you submit yourselves to the government and discipline of the Church, and promise to study its purity and peace?**

The minister may now briefly admonish those making a profession of faith as to the importance of the solemn obligations they have assumed; then baptism may be administered, if there be present any candidates for the ordinance, and the whole concluded with prayer.

57-6. Persons received from other churches by letters of dismissal as well as those being received by reaffirmation of faith should give a testimony of their Christian experience to the Session. Their names are to be announced to the congregation with a recommendation of them to its Christian confidence and affection.

** Note that a helpful way to remember the five membership vows is in these five summary terms: sinner, Savior, Spirit, support, and submit.*

Announcements

- Prayer Meeting is cancelled for this week.
- To volunteer to help clean the church property, please speak with Mr. Groff or Mrs. Pipa, or contact the church at info@antiochpca.com.

Vision

Our vision is to see the historic Antioch Presbyterian Church revitalized as a worshipping community to be a blessing to every man, woman, and child in the growing residential hub west of Woodruff and south of Reidville, to the glory of God.

Mission

Our mission as a parish church at the crossroads of Greenville and Spartanburg Counties is the gathering and perfecting of God's people through biblical worship, evangelism, and pastoral care.

Areas of Ministry Focus

Expository Preaching

Biblical Worship

Parish Evangelism

Pastoral Care

Discipleship

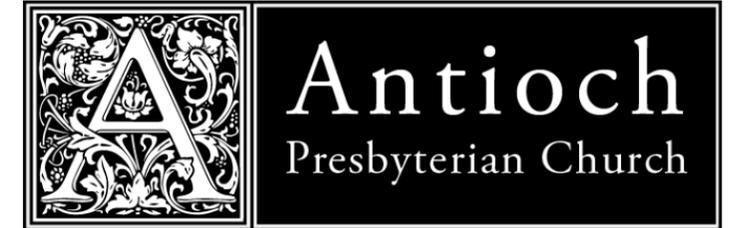
Leadership & Accountability

As a *mission work*, Antioch Presbyterian Church (PCA) is governed and overseen by a *provisional session* of elders serving as a *commission* of Calvary Presbytery. The six men appointed to the *provisional session* are active elders within the bounds of Calvary Presbytery, and they have graciously agreed to serve “above-and-beyond” to encourage the revitalization of Antioch. They include:

Dr. Chipley Bennett, Ph.D. – Ruling Elder, Providence Presbyterian Church
Dr. E. Todd Buchner, D.Min. – Pastor, Reidville Presbyterian Church
Mr. Richard Hollifield – Ruling Elder, Roebuck Presbyterian Church
Mr. William Johnson – Ruling Elder, Woodruff Road Presbyterian Church
Dr. Joseph A. Pipa, Jr., Ph.D., D.D. – Professor of Systematic & Applied Theology, President Emeritus, Greenville Presbyterian Theological Seminary;
Organizing Pastor & Moderator of Session, Antioch Presbyterian Church
Pastor Richard Thomas – Senior Pastor, Mount Calvary Presbyterian Church;
Clerk of Session, Antioch Presbyterian Church

Church Staff

Mr. Zachary Groff – Ministerial Assistant
Dr. Joseph A. Pipa, Jr. – Organizing Pastor & Moderator of Session



The Lord's Day
November 22, 2020

“The Gospel for All”
1 Timothy 2:1-7
Dr. Joseph A. Pipa, Jr.

Worship – Sunday, 5:00 p.m.
Prayer Meeting – Wednesday, 6:00 p.m.
no prayer meeting this week

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The Lord's Day

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Meditation

Matthew 20:28

The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.

*Call to Worship

*Congregational Commitment

Minister: Congregation, in whom is your confidence?

Congregation: Our help is in the Name of the Lord, Who made the heavens and earth.

*Salutation

*Hymn of Adoration

No. 65C

Praise Waits for Thee in Zion

(stanzas 1-4)
MENDEBRAS

*Prayer of Adoration & Invocation

*Revelation of God's Will

Deuteronomy 5:6-21

*Confession of Sin & Supplication for Grace

O Lord, we openly admit that You know us thoroughly. Our deepest secrets are open before You. You know our thoughts before they are conceived in our minds. We cannot hide from You. Therefore we ask that You discover unto us our sins so that we may humble ourselves again in Your presence and seek Your forgiveness and grace. We admit we have tolerated sinful thoughts about power, lust, greed, jealousy, malice, and other things that grieve Your heart. We have committed sins of omission and commission. But we seek Your mercy and cleansing from our sins by the blood of Christ. And we thank You for Your Spirit who enables us to walk in holiness and obedience. Give us the grace to please You this day and forever. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

Proverbs 28:13

He who conceals his transgressions will not prosper. But he who confesses and forsakes them will find compassion.

Reception of New Members

Mr. & Mrs. Zachary & Jocelyn Groff
Zoë, Abigail, Judah, Hannah, & Samuel

Offering

No. 65C

Praise Waits for Thee in Zion

(stanzas 5, 6)
MENDEBRAS

*Prayer of Thanksgiving & Supplication

Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Hymn of Preparation

No. 119C

Do Good to Me and I Will Live

DUKE STREET

*Old Testament Reading

Genesis 12:1-9

*New Testament Reading

1 Timothy 2:1-8

*Congregational Response

Leader: Faith comes by hearing,

Congregation: And hearing by the Word of God!

*Prayer for Illumination

Sermon

“The Gospel for All”

1 Timothy 2:1-7

Prayer of Application

*Hymn of Response

No. 170

God, in the Gospel of His Son

GERMANY

*Benediction

*Doxology

No. 181

Now Thank We All Our God

(stanza 3)
NUN DANKET

*Silent Prayer

**Congregation standing, unless physically hindered*

“The Gospel for All”

1 Timothy 2:1-7

Main Proposition

Based on the purpose and nature of God and Christ's saving work, the church is to pray for and seek the salvation of the lost.

Outline

I. The Church's Attitude to the World (vv. 1, 2)

II. God's Concern for the World (vv. 3-6)

III. The Church's Mission to the World (v. 7)