



COVENANT SERVICE

February 27, 2021

NIC UMM Annual Meeting

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON - John 14: 11 - 12 (NRSV)

The Way to the Father

¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. ¹² Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father.

SCRIPTURE LESSON - Romans 12: 1 – 3 (NRSV)

The New Life in Christ

12 *I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. ²Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.*



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1. Spend time before the Lord.
2. Be serious and reverent about your promise.
 3. Claim God's power.
 4. Don't look back.
 5. Be humble, prayerful.



MY COVENANT/MANCODE

1. What will I do to grow in Christ? (becoming)

Prayer _____

Presence _____

Gifts _____

Service _____

Witness _____

MY COVENANT/MANCODE

2. What can I do to be Christ in my _____? (doing)

Family _____

Community _____

Church _____

Workplace _____

Leisure _____

_____ (signature)

A COVENANT PRAYER IN THE WESLEYAN TRADITION # 607 UMH

I am no longer my own, but thine.

Put me to what thou wilt, rank me with whom thou wilt.

Put me to doing, put me to suffering.


Let me be employed by thee or laid aside for thee,
exalted for thee or brought low by thee.



Let me be full, let me be empty.

Let me have all things, let me have nothing.

I freely and heartily yield all things
to thy pleasure and disposal.



And now, O glorious and blessed God,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
thou art mine, and I am thine. So be it.
And the covenant which I have made on earth,
Let it be ratified in heaven. Amen.

SIGNING OF THE MANCODE/COVENANT

CLOSING PRAYER

For your goodness and generosity in giving us all we need,
this week help us to praise you, O God.

In every circumstance of life, in good times and bad,
this week help us to trust you, O God.

In love and faithfulness, with all that we have and all that we are,
this week help us to serve you, O God.

As we speak or write or listen to those nearby or far away,
this week help us to share your love, O God.

In all our plans and work for ourselves and for others,
this week help us to glorify you, O God.

In every thought and word and deed, by the power of your Holy
Spirit,

**this week may we live for you, O God, through Jesus Christ our
Lord. Amen.**

Sources

+ adapted from: *Worship for All Seasons*, Vol. 3, Thomas Harding, ed.

++ # 166 *Worship and Song*. (2009 Anglican Church of Australia, Diocese of Sydney)

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