

# Forward in Faith North America

## Declaration of

### Common Faith and Purpose

In the Name of the Holy and Undivided Trinity: the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, a Lay Member/Deacon/Priest/Bishop of the one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church, affirm the following so that faithful witness to apostolic Faith and catholic Order may be continued within the Churches of Anglican heritage:

\* I believe our Lord Jesus Christ, has given His Church an Order which claims the loyalty of faithful Christians above and beyond any deviation sanctioned by any humanly-invented institution, whether secular or ecclesiastical.

\* I accept the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testament as "containing all things necessary to salvation," and as being the rule and ultimate standard of faith and morals.

\* I accept the Apostles' Creed as the Baptismal Symbol; and the Nicene Creed as the sufficient statement of the Christian faith.

\* I accept the two Sacraments ordained by Christ Himself -- Baptism and the Supper of the Lord - ministered with un failing use of Christ's words of Institution, and of the elements ordained by Him.

\* I accept the historic episcopate, locally adapted in the methods of its administration to the varying needs of the nations and peoples called of God into the Unity of His Church. I do not consider that the churches of the Anglican Communion have authority to change the historic tradition of the Church that the Christian ministerial priesthood is male, and I will refrain from any and all actions which might signify acceptance of such purported change.

\* I will do what God grants me the strength to accomplish to uphold the Church's Order, both materially and spiritually.

\* I will resist all present and future attempts to compromise the integrity of this Order, without regard to the temporal consequences that may be inflicted by any agency.

\* I further certify that I have read and assent to the Agreed Statement on Communion of Forward in Faith, North America.

In making this Declaration, I accept all the responsibilities which pertain to the common witness of all who participate in this endeavor, and I ask God's blessing upon our labors.

(signature) \_\_\_\_\_ (date) \_\_\_\_\_

Having signed this Declaration, I hereby apply for Membership / Associate Membership in Forward in Faith, North America.

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Print name (with title of preference)

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