



The people at Fellowship Christian Reformed Church are happy that you have chosen to attend Fellowship and take part in our church family. We would be honored if you would consider taking the next step and declare formal membership at Fellowship Christian Reformed Church.

### What is membership?

We believe that the church is a covenant community. We worship a God who binds himself in a covenant promise to us, and we to him. And so, we also believe the Bible teaches us that we are a covenant community with one another. That is why declaring formal membership in a church is important to us at Fellowship. Members at Fellowship become eligible to serve in leadership positions on our council, helping to shape and guide the ministry of Fellowship. Members are also placed within one of our care “districts” so that the pastors and elders of Fellowship can extend spiritual care, and the deacons can encourage members to be involved at Fellowship. Members are also eligible to vote at Fellowship’s annual meeting, giving every member at Fellowship a voice in affirming and supporting Fellowship’s vision and mission.

### What is required for membership?

The Bible teaches us in the book of Acts that as the disciples welcomed believers into their company, they did so with the sacrament of baptism. In keeping with the tradition of the church that began with the apostles in the New Testament, Fellowship requires all members to be baptized. At Fellowship, we believe that the sign of God’s covenant signified in baptism does not need to be repeated. People desiring to become members at Fellowship who have already received baptism at another church will not be required to be baptized again.

At Fellowship, we believe that God actively works in this world through the people of his church today. Your journey of faith is important, and we would like to hear about it. We would like to know how we can best minister to you here at Fellowship, and how you can best serve God with your talents and abilities among us at Fellowship. People desiring to become members at Fellowship are required to meet together with the pastor and an elder representative to have a conversation about membership. It is our desire to answer any questions or concerns you may have, and encourage you to be a joyful disciple of Jesus here among us.

### How can I find out more about membership?

You can contact Pastor Tom at any time to discuss membership at Fellowship. We also periodically offer a *Discover Fellowship* class which provides information about Fellowship and membership.

### What happens after I join Fellowship as a member?

After joining Fellowship, you will receive a letter from our council confirming your membership. This letter will also inform you of who your assigned district elder & deacon are. Your elder & deacon will make periodic contact with you so that you may express any questions, comments, prayer requests, or items of need. Fellowship will also officially acknowledge your membership on one of our “Welcome Weekends” so that others at Fellowship may have the opportunity to welcome you as a member as well.

## Declaration of Membership at Fellowship Christian Reformed Church

By completing and submitting this form, I (we) affirm my (our) decision to become full members at Fellowship Christian Reformed Church. Return form to Pastor Tom or the Church office.  
(Fellowship Christian Reformed Church respects the privacy of your personal information. You may omit any personal information which you do not feel comfortable sharing.)

Name. \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been baptized? Yes / No Date of baptism (if known) \_\_\_\_\_

If baptized as an infant, have you made Confirmation / Profession of Faith? Yes / No  
Date of Confirmation / Profession of Faith (if known) \_\_\_\_\_

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### *Spouse*

Name. \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been baptized? Yes / No Date of baptism (if known) \_\_\_\_\_

If baptized as an infant, have you made Confirmation / Profession of Faith? Yes / No  
Date of Confirmation / Profession of Faith (if known) \_\_\_\_\_

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### *Contact*

Address. \_\_\_\_\_

Phone(s). \_\_\_\_\_ Email(s). \_\_\_\_\_

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### *Family*

Child. \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Has child been baptized? Yes / No Date of baptism (if known) \_\_\_\_\_

If baptized as an infant, has child made Confirmation / Profession of Faith? Yes / No  
Date of Confirmation / Profession of Faith (if known) \_\_\_\_\_

Child. \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Has child been baptized? Yes / No Date of baptism (if known) \_\_\_\_\_

If baptized as an infant, has child made Confirmation / Profession of Faith? Yes / No  
Date of Confirmation / Profession of Faith (if known) \_\_\_\_\_

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### *Church History*

Have you been part of another church in the past three years? Yes / No

List previous church. \_\_\_\_\_