

## **2021 Covenant Partners at St. Giles**

St. Giles is a congregation in the Covenant Order of Evangelical Presbyterians. As the name states, we value covenant relationships, and believe they provide both a healthy context for the Holy Spirit to mature us, and a fitting partnership for our part in God's mission.

Covenanting has many facets in ECO. For example, both our Pastors and our Session must be in a covenanted accountability and support group. Our members are not just names on a list, but those who covenant to serve Jesus together in particular ways. Thus ECO's name for members is *Covenant Partners*.

As Covenant Partners we use this tool each year for reflection and commitment, as we specify our intentions with particular life patterns that help us to respond to the Spirit's transforming work. How do you intend to serve God and each other during 2021?

Here's how this covenanting tool works. Work prayerfully through the covenanting options on the other side of this card. Your covenant is with God, but we invite you also to share it with someone else at St. Giles as a means of mutual encouragement. Then put your covenant for 2021 in your Bible or prayer journal as a guide and challenge for the new year.

## **How I Plan to Live as a Covenant Partner in 2021:**

Mark any of the suggestions below that work for you, adapt them, or add your own.

### **Worship:**

\_\_\_\_\_ I intend to be in worship each week, barring illness or emergency. And when possible I will gather with another fellowship when I am away from St. Giles.

\_\_\_\_\_ I intend to make it to worship at least \_\_\_\_\_ times each month, barring illness or emergency.

\_\_\_\_\_ I intend to be present for worship in the following manner:

### **Daily Time:**

\_\_\_\_\_ I intend to have a time for prayer and scripture each day.

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\_\_\_\_\_ I will have my time with the Lord in this manner:

### **Discipleship Development:**

\_\_\_\_\_ I will partner with others to grow in my understanding and practices of the faith in these settings (circle any that apply): Life Group, Women's Fellowship, Men's Fellowship, Sunday Discipleship Classes, Other \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I will make use of other means of discipleship development. They are:

### **Giving:**

\_\_\_\_\_ If my income is as I anticipate in 2021, I will give of my material resources in this way for the Lord's work – underline as many as apply to you: 10%, over 10%, moving up 1%, other \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I will give in this manner:

### **Service In and Beyond St. Giles:**

\_\_\_\_\_ I will serve IN St. Giles in the following ways: e.g., sing, teach, serve refreshments, visit the sick or shut in, gather early for prayer on Sundays, and/or \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I will serve BEYOND St. Giles in the following ways: e.g., lead an office or neighborhood Bible study, tutor children with extra needs, prayer walk areas where God guides, go on a mission trip, and/or \_\_\_\_\_

Other Means of Serving: Use the space below to describe any other means of serving the Lord that you will exercise in 2021.