

Do you promise to give yourself to the task of becoming a more mature disciple of Jesus, through the disciplines given to us such as prayer and the reading of God's word?

Do you promise to be regular in your attendance at church, and encourage your brothers and sisters in Christ through prayer and by your actions?

Do you promise to give generously to the work of making Christ known through the ministry of this church, through your gifts, time, and finances?

Do you promise to confess Christ before others, to serve him daily, and to walk in his ways all the days of your life?

Do you acknowledge your need of the Holy Spirit to enable you to walk in the way that you are promising here today?

Do you promise to submit to the authority of the Session as they exercise pastoral and spiritual oversight of the congregation?

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Becoming a Member



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What is membership?

Becoming a communicant member of Caringbah Presbyterian Church (CPC) is making a specific commitment to God's family in this church, and formally saying that this is your spiritual home. It means that you are deciding that you will serve Christ wholeheartedly through our ministries.

It is important not to confuse membership with being a Christian. You become a Christian when you trust in Christ for your salvation. A Christian is someone who can truly say and live, "Jesus is Lord."

Who is CPC?

In becoming a member, you are not only joining a church, but a specific Presbyterian church. You should be accepting of CPC's identity, which is:

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What are the responsibilities?

A member should demonstrate wholehearted commitment by regularly and faithfully attending services. It is expected that you will use your resources and gifts for the benefit of Christ's church in Caringbah and beyond.

Membership comes with responsibilities. It means demonstrating commitment by having a peaceable and loving attitude towards our people and ministries, respecting and obeying those in leadership, contributing to the welfare of the church, helping the spread of the Gospel both locally and overseas, and deliberately living as a Christian in all relationships.

In the Presbyterian Church, only members are entitled to vote when choosing a new minister or electing new elders.

How do I become a member?

To become a member, the first step is to contact the minister or an elder. They will speak with you about your Christian life, and your desire for membership and what it entails.

During a normal Sunday service, time will be set aside for you to publicly acknowledge that Jesus is your Lord, and that you choose this church as your spiritual home. You will have an opportunity to share your testimony, or reasons for becoming a member, if desired. You will be baptised if you have not been already. You will answer these questions before God and the congregation:

Do you believe in one God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit?

Do you repent of your sin, and with a humble and grateful heart put your trust in the mercy and grace of God and in Jesus Christ who takes away your sin through the cross?