

D. Order of Service

1. The Pastor announces that the new members will be publicly received into the church.
2. The Pastor requests the new members to stand as their names are read, and to walk to the front and form a line across the front of the church, facing him.
3. The Pastor reads the names of the new members to be received.
 - a. The first and last name of each new member should be read. For example:
 - (1) Mr. John Smith
 - (2) Mrs. Mary Smith
 - (3) Miss Joan Smith
 - b. The last names of the new members should be arranged in alphabetical order.
 - c. The names of members of a family should be read in the following order:
 - (1) The husband's name
 - (2) The wife's name
 - (3) The son's(s') name(s)
 - (4) The daughter's(s') name(s)
4. The new members stand as their names are read, walk to the front, and form a line across the front of the church, facing the Pastor.
5. The Pastor retires from the pulpit and takes his place at the front of the church.
6. The Pastor gives a brief charge to the new members.

This charge concerns their responsibilities as members of the church. A good verse of Scripture to use in connection with this charge is 1 Cor. 15:58.
7. The Pastor asks the new members to repeat the following words after him:

"I solemnly promise, in the sight of God and this congregation, to faithfully attend this church, to read the Holy Bible, to observe the ordinances (or, sacraments) of this church, to contribute to its support, to obey its laws, to endeavor to maintain its peace and purity, to watch over the welfare of my fellow members, and to join with them in prayer and praise and service; and this promise I this day make, before God my Father, Christ my Redeemer, and the Holy Spirit my Sanctifier."
8. The Pastor prays.