

The unity of the church is the gift of the Spirit and a task of the church. We hereby CALL INTO COVENANT our respective Synods, Dioceses and Conferences and COMMIT OURSELVES to the following actions. In behalf of the unity of the church, WE WILL:

- 1. pray for each other, particularly at the principal Sunday celebration;
- 2. sponsor seasonal prayer services, especially during the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity;
- 3. encourage shared lectionary studies;
- 4. promote pulpit exchanges in accord with the respective guidelines of each tradition;
- 5. encourage cooperation among member churches in providing pre-marital preparation for ecumenical marriages;
- 6. encourage shared religious formational and educational events; e.g. youth ministry, vacation Bible school, living room dialogue;
- 7. develop joint efforts in evangelism and social justice;
- 8. develop covenants among our congregations, institutions and chaplaincies;
- 9. support statewide, regional and local LARCUM Conferences, and establish annually a joint meeting of our ecumenical bodies;
- 10. encourage each diocese and synod to develop supportive prayer services and covenanting models for its congregations through their respective ecumenical and liturgical committees;

- 11. urge congregations to study the existing dialogues among our churches (see appendix);
- 12. develop covenants among school and academies for shared programs;
- 13. ask congregations to develop and reflect on their cooperative ministries to discover areas of convergence among our four churches;
- 14. sponsor shared retreats and formational events for clergy and parish leadership;
- 15. develop campus ministry covenants among Catholic Campus Ministry, Canterbury Association, Lutheran Student Union, and Wesley Foundation, and support covenants at existing ecumenical ministries and with college chaplains;
- 16. seek ways to coordinate program and planning at the district/ synodal/ diocesan/ conference level;
- 17. collaborate at the judicatory level on justice issues and social concerns;
- 18. review and evaluate this Covenant annually at a meeting of the state LARCUM Committee representatives with Bishops;
- 19. establish goals annually which advance this Covenant;
- 20. celebrate the renewal of this Covenant annually at the statewide LARCUM conference.