**Refocus: Covenant Sunday**

**Key Truth:** The Church is in Covenant with Jesus Christ and with each other. Luke 22:20

**What it means to be in covenant with BTWC:**

1. I will protect the unity of my church

 A. By acting in love toward other members.

 1 Corinthians 13:1-3

 B. By refusing to gossip. Ephesians 4:29-32

 C. By following church leadership. Hebrews 13:7, 17

2. I will share the responsibility of my church

 A. By praying for its growth. Acts 2:42-43

 B. By sharing my faith with others. 2 Corinthians 5:20

 C. By inviting the unsaved/unchurched to attend.

 1 Corinthians 14:23-25

3. I will serve the ministry of my church

 A. By discovering my spiritual gifts and talents.

 Romans 12:3-8

 B. By being equipped to serve by my pastors.

 Ephesians 4:11-13

 C. By developing a servant’s heart. John 13:12-16

4. I will support the testimony of my church

 A. By living a godly life. 1 Peter 1:13-16

 B. By attending faithfully. Hebrews 10:23-25

 C. By giving financially in support of the mission.

 1 Corinthians 9:6-15

**Taking it Beyond the Walls:** Don’t be a consumer of religious goods and services. Be consumed with the love of Jesus Christ and display that through a passion for the church and compassion for others.

**Food For Thought**

For the Week of December 10, 2017

Is coming together in true community easy? Why or why not?

Which is easier for you—getting to know someone else, or truly letting someone else know you? Why?

**Read Hebrews 10:23-25:**

Why do you think it’s important that we don’t give up meeting together (v. 25)?

What are some reasons we might give up meeting together?

If it’s so important, what kind of attitude should we have when we are able to come together in the church?

Read Psalm 133:1-3:

Why is unity in the body of Christ so important? In what ways can you contribute to the unity of BTWC?

How can you get involved in the mission and vision of BTWC?