

# **The Churches of Ashbury**

## **A Covenant**

**We, the undersigned Churches in Ashbury, recognising the bonds between us and in a growing sense of fellowship one with another, make this Covenant.**

**We affirm our faith in One God who is revealed as Father in making the world, Son in redeeming the world and Holy Spirit in giving life to the people of God. We acknowledge our calling to serve Him in the world.**

**We recognise the variety of our different traditions and seek to understand them with openness to learn from one another.**

**We believe that by entering into this Covenant with each other we affirm our commitment to each other under God.**

**We believe that Christian unity expresses the will of God and we commit ourselves to seek ways to work together. We commit ourselves to maintain and develop united acts of worship, to study and pray together and to explore ways of sharing our ministries.**

**We commit ourselves to maintain existing relationships with denominational bodies and we undertake to seek future ministerial appointments which will under God further the spirit of this Covenant.**

**We pledge ourselves to this Covenant for an initial period of five years from the date of its signature. We pray that in this venture of faith the Holy Spirit will guide and lead us to deeper unity.**

**St. Mary the Virgin Ashbury**

**The Evangelical Free Church Ashbury**

**Signed this Ninth day of October in the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Eleven**