Covenantal pledges for discussions about issues of sexuality
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- We expect that the full range of issues of human sexuality exists within the church;

- We acknowledge that gay and lesbian [bisexual, transgender, queer] persons (as well as members of other sexual minorities*) are in the Church;

- We will always assume that gays or lesbians (or representatives of other sexual minorities*) are present:

- While we disagree on issues we will use language which respects the dignity of others;

- We will respect the right of people to ‘name’ themselves and their experience.

- If we ask a question, we will be prepared to respond to it ourselves;

- We will respect people’s privacy;

- We will respect people’s integrity as people of faith.

*eg. singles, seniors, otherly abled, the sick, the dying, sexually abused, etc.