

In light of the recent adoption of the “[Report of the PCA Study Committee on the Federal Vision, New Perspective, and Auburn Avenue Theology](#)” the Session of Saint Andrew's Community Church affirms, as we always have:

1. That there was a Covenant of Works prior to the Fall of Man and that since, God has dealt with His people through the Covenant of Grace. But we also recognize that there has been diversity in this particular area of theology in the Reformed tradition.
2. The elect are those who have been chosen by God for salvation before the foundation of the world and not just those who are members of the visible church. These eternal elect are recipients of the imputation of the righteousness of Christ.
3. That the use of the various categories of merit: condign, congruous, and pactum, can be useful but strict merit gives the impression that Adam was an employee of God rather than a son to a Father.
4. That baptism is God's mark upon his people but the saving benefits are given only to those who are eternally elect. We do not believe that sacraments automatically confer salvation.
5. The only recipients of all the benefits of Christ's mediation are the elect of God who will persevere to the end and that justification is by faith alone, by God's grace alone and not by the works of man.

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