

USER AGREEMENT

[insert name ,address & phone # of local church]

PURPOSE: This Agreement gives permission to groups, organizations and individuals (“User”) not directly overseen by *[name of local church]* to use specified facilities owned by *[name of local church]*. Users of the facilities with the permission of *[name of local church]* do so with the full knowledge that losses or liabilities incurred by the User are not covered by the local church.

This Agreement is entered into on this _____ day of _____ of the year _____, by and between *[name of local church]*: A United Methodist Church, and
(name of User) _____
(address of User) _____
(phone no. of User) _____.

WHEREAS *[name of local church]* is the owner of building located at the address printed above;

AND WHEREAS the User desires to use said facilities on the terms and conditions set forth.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises contained herein and other good valuable consideration the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. *[name of local church]* will make available to the User (description of facilities)
2. User agrees to indemnify and hold *[name of local church]* harmless from any and all liability including attorney’s fees arising out of User’s use of the above premises or the building of which the facilities are a part, or the parking facilities on or adjacent thereto.
3. The User understands that the responsibility to obtain liability and property insurance is upon the User. It is not the duty or responsibility of *[name of local church]* to insure the User’s use of the facilities. It is recommended that the User obtain its own liability and property coverage for its use of the facilities.
4. The User agrees to abide by and obey all laws, ordinances, and regulations promulgated by any government unit having jurisdiction in the locale of *[name of local church]*, and will not engage in any activities in violation of such laws, ordinances rules and regulations.
5. If any of the User’s activities at *[name of local church]*, will place children or youth under age 18 by persons in the care of persons other than their own parents or guardians, the User must either: (a) comply with *[name of local church]*’s Safe Sanctuaries Policy for the prevention of child abuse (*attached*), or (b) supply a copy of its own child abuse prevention policy which is substantially similar in practice and effect to *[name of local church]* ’s Safe Sanctuaries Policy, and certify compliance by signing below.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned parties have executed the Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

Signature of [name of local church]’s Rep.

(Signature of User’s Representative)

(Print name of Representative)

(Address of Representative)

(City, and Zip)

(Representative’s phone #)