

OUR COVENANT OF BEHAVIOR AS ST. FRANCISVILLE UNITED METHODIST YOUTH

A covenant is a promise we all make together with God.

Before God, I promise with God's help to do my best to live up to the loving example of Jesus Christ.

I will be the best example of my church, my family, my God and myself, and act accordingly.

I will show:

REVERENCE: This is God's World and the Church is God's House!

I speak and act only in ways that honor God.

I use only positive language and do not use any offensive or foul language.

I participate fully in worship services and I pray boldly.

I respect the authority and teaching of the church even while asking questions.

I treat God's house with reverence, not running or standing on furniture unless given permission by an adult.

I do not fight, hide, steal or damage property. If any building or property is damaged in any way by me then I pay to repair or replace what is damaged.

RESPECT: We are Jesus' Family!

I respect adults and other youth and treat them with a Christian attitude by being kind, friendly, polite, considerate and cooperative.

I am friendly to all people and help to make everyone feel welcome and a part of the group.

I listen to and respect everyone and their opinions.

I respect other people's personal space and things.

I make confirmation and youth group a safe place for group members to share and be themselves, keeping things said by others in confidence unless it would hurt them or the group, and then I tell an adult leader.

I do not hurt anyone in any way and care for others in our family.

RESPONSIBILITY: We are all Friends in Faith!

I pray for God's Spirit to help me and I prepare myself to learn and grow.

I am open and honest. I do not tell lies or try to hide the truth.

I make good choices. I am responsible for my own behavior at all times. I do not participate in illegal activities.

I listen to and do what my teachers and adult leaders say and follow all rules of events and trips.

I participate fully in all events, being on time and not leaving until given permission to do so.

I understand rest is important and abide by any curfew times set by Confirmation or Youth Leaders by being in the designated place at the assigned time, turning out lights at the designated time and being quiet.

I play, work and cooperate in all we do with a positive attitude, joy and love.

I set a Christian example by refraining from the use or possession of cigarettes, other tobacco products, lighters, pocketknives, alcohol, illegal narcotics or illegal drugs, firearms, and fireworks. I abide by any rules of the Confirmation or Youth Leaders regarding the possession of prescription or over-the-counter medicines.

I engage completely in events and activities. I do not bring any item that may interfere with a Youth event and do not bring cell phones, computers, other electronic games or devices, or CD/tape/MP3/iPod players without Youth Leader's permission.

I wear only appropriate clothing, so I do not wear clothing with offensive logos, signs, wording or pictures, and I abide by any rules set by Confirmation or Youth leaders regarding dress for a particular activity or trip.

I try to grow in my faith.

I share my faith and show my faith both inside and outside.

I glorify God in all that I do.

I have fun!

I have read the above covenant and enter into it. I understand that violating the covenant will mean suffering the appropriate consequences ranging from the suspension of privileges to being immediately sent home at my parents' expense.

(Youth's signature)

(Date)

I have read the Covenant on the other side and understand that my child will enter into this Covenant to participate in Confirmation and/or Youth at St. Francisville United Methodist Church. I understand that any youth who breaks this covenant or who participates in an illegal activity will suffer the appropriate consequences ranging from the suspending of privileges to being immediately sent home at the parents' expense.

(Parent or Legal guardian's signature)

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