

# FPC YOUTH MINISTRIES

## STUDENT REGISTRATION, PARENTAL RELEASE, AND COVENANT

First Presbyterian Church of Kalamazoo

Name	Grade	Birthday
Address		
City	State	Zip
Email		
Parent/Guardian:		
Email		
Are there other adults who will be bri communications?	nging you to youth events wh	no we should include in
Name	Email	
Address		Phone

#### **Medical Release**

I hereby give full consent for my son/daughter to participate in FPC Youth Ministries. If my child needs any medical attention, I hereby give my full consent for the adult advisors from the FPC Youth Ministries to seek medical care for my child and to be responsible for costs incurred. I also understand every possible effort will be made to ensure the safety of participants. Should my child be injured, I will not hold First Presbyterian Church, Kalamazoo, or any of its agents or representatives responsible in any way.

#### **Picture Release**

\_\_\_\_\_I give permission for the use of photographs, digital images, slides or video footage including my son or daughter to be used in FPC Youth Ministries publicity.

Signed	Date
Relationship to student	
Emergency phone for parent/guardian	
Alternate emergency contact	
Insurance company	Policy #
Allergy/medical alert information	
Special Needs	

### WE COVENANT TOGETHER

First Presbyterian Church, Kalamazoo's youth ministries are a place for youth and leaders to grow as disciples, to form community with one another, to serve the larger community through service projects and mission trips, and to have fun!

As a member of our youth group, I acknowledge my need for meaningful relationships with other youth. I also know that this youth group and church exists to help me deepen my relationship with God, other members of the group, and all the people that God has put in my life; to be a better disciple for Christ. I must always keep God's priorities before my own.

Christ gave us an example of respect and love for all, and because of His example I will create an environment of respect where ever I am.

- I will respect other people's stuff. I will not go through or touch another's possessions without first asking for their permission.
- I will respect the church building because it belongs to all of us. I will clean up messes, respect the property of others and treat this place as I would treat my own home.
- I will respect what others have to say by listening when they are talking. I will allow others to speak their ideas and not distract them or take away from their ideas by talking while they are talking.
- I will respect others with my words. I will not use abusive words and I will not be overly critical. I also will not gossip about our youth group or others. I will say positive and encouraging things about others.
- I will respect the safe environment of the youth group by promising that I will never bring any weapons, drugs, alcohol or fireworks with me when I am with any members of our youth group. I will also help to keep a safe environment by not being violent.
- I will respect the leaders and the youth group by participating in all lessons, activities and games as it is very important and is expected of me. I am committed to attend all youth functions that I am able and I will try to arrive on time.
- I will respect myself and our youth group by being truthful and genuine. I will also be accepting of others and I will take them as they come. I know that God created us as unique individuals, and I will respect that uniqueness in others.
- I will respect those who have been marginalized by society by participating in the mission work of our youth group and the church and entering into these mission opportunities with a spirit of openness and generosity rather than a spirit of condescension.

Because I am a youth, I understand that I do not have to be responsible for enforcing the rules. I understand that is the responsibility of the adults present, not me. I will, however, be an example to others.

As an important part of FPC Youth Ministries, I commit myself to this covenant. I also understand that there will be consequences to any inappropriate behavior. Those consequences may include being required to "sit out" from an activity or trip, staying after to talk about my behavior, my parent/guardian being called to come and pick me up if my inappropriate behavior continues and as a last resort, I could lose my privileges of coming to youth events for a time.

#### Signature:\_

\_Date:\_

As the Parent/Guardian of this youth, I expect my child to behave in this manner and understand that there will be consequences to any inappropriate behavior. Those consequences may include the youth being required to "sit out" from an activity or trip, staying after to talk about their behavior, you, the parents/guardians being called to come and pick up your child if inappropriate behavior continues and as a last resort, your youth could lose their privileges of coming to youth events for a time.

Signature:\_\_\_\_\_