

# St. Peter's UCC

## Mission Participant Covenant

The purpose of this covenant is to clarify the expectations and responsibilities given to us as we share ministry together. Signing this Covenant indicates that I respect this ministry, its leaders, chaperones, and participants.

As a participant with this ministry, I will...

- Treat all people with dignity and respect.
- Participate fully and help when needed.
- Abide by and enforce the rules and boundaries set for this event/program by its leaders.
- Help people new to this program/event feel welcome and comfortable
- Maximize our time together by placing my focus on what we are discussing/doing.
- Respect the boundaries set by leaders.
- Alert a leader/pastor if I feel uncomfortable in any way.
- Avoid secrecy and private discussions. If a private discussion is necessary with another participant, chaperone, or leader, I will have it in a public space away from others so that it may remain private, yet safe.
- Practice discretion and modesty, especially when showering, changing clothing, and preparing for the day. I will also respect others' needs for discretion and modesty.
- Be sensitive to verbal and non-verbal expressions of discomfort.
- NOT use or possess controlled substances, firearms, ammunition, and/or weapons.
- Attempt to get to know all participants by name.
- Offer assistance to youth, other chaperones, and our leaders during difficult discussions/activities
- Take responsibility for setting appropriate boundaries and building positive relationships with all participants.
- Enforce the rules without favoritism or bias.
- Respect the diverse personalities and needs of all people at this event/on this trip.
- Share my beliefs and my faith openly, yet honestly, with all participants.
- Treat this ministry with the seriousness that it deserves.
- Commit to praying for this ministry of our congregation.

*I have read and understand my responsibilities as a participant with St. Peter's UCC. By signing this covenant, I am committing to do my part to ensure successful ministry. I will do my best to keep the covenant I have made with the other participants and leaders of this trip.*

**Participant Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Participant Printed Name** \_\_\_\_\_

