



GUIDELINES FOR USE OF CHURCH FACILITIES

**Grace Community United Methodist Church**

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**RELEASE & HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT**

I/We the undersigned, authorized representative(s) of \_\_\_\_\_ of the City of \_\_\_\_\_, State of Louisiana, shall be using the building and grounds of Grace Community United Methodist Church (“Grace”), Shreveport, LA, from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_ for the purpose of \_\_\_\_\_, here referred to as “the Activity”.

I/We understand and agree that neither Grace, nor its Trustees, Representatives, Employees, or Agents may be held liable in any way for any occurrence in connection with the Activity which result in injury harm, or other damages to the undersigned or members of our organization and guests, invited or not.

As part of the consideration for being allowed to use your facility, building, and grounds in the Activity, I/We hereby assume all risk in connection with participation in the Activity. I/We further agree to hold harmless and indemnify, voluntarily release and forever discharge Grace, its staff, associates, volunteers and/or agents for any illness, injury, or financial obligation that may occur. It is further understood that I/We have sufficient medical and liability insurance. My/Our express intention is that such release and indemnity will apply to any claim, suit, damages or liability whatsoever arising in whole or part from my/our negligence, the negligence of Grace, or any of its employees, officers, agents, volunteers, or servants, or any other person’s negligence, gross negligence or any other form of negligence. I/We further agree to save and hold harmless Grace, its Trustees, Employees, Agents, or Representatives from any claim by the undersigned member of the Organization, their estates heirs or assigns arising out of our participation in any form or fashion in the Activity. I/We also authorize Grace, its Employees or Agents to render or obtain such emergency medical care or treatment as may be necessary should any injury, harm, or accident occur while participating in the Activity.

I/We further state that I/We are authorized to sign this agreement: that I/We understand the terms herein are contractual and not mere recital; and that I/We have signed this document of my/our own free act and volition. I/We further state and acknowledge that I/We have fully informed ourselves of the content of the affirmation and release by reading it before I/We sign.

I/We have executed this affirmation and release on: \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_

Authorized Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Witness: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Signature (if needed): \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_



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### COVID-19 Release

I/We acknowledge and understand that participation in activities at Grace Community includes possible exposure to and illness from infectious diseases including but not limited to COVID-19. I/We knowingly and freely assume all such risks related to illness and infectious diseases, such as COVID-19. I/We, individually and on behalf of my child, family, spouse, estate, heirs, executors, administrators, assigns, and personal representatives, hereby forever release, waive, discharge, and covenant not to sue Grace Community United Methodist Church ("Grace Community"), its officers, agents, servants, independent contractors, employees, volunteers, successors, and assigns (collectively the "Released Parties") from any and all liability, claims, demands, actions, and causes of action whatsoever, directly or indirectly arising out of or related to any loss, sickness, damage, or injury, including death, that may be sustained by me related to COVID-19 whether caused by the negligence of the Released Parties, any third-party visiting Grace Community or otherwise, while participating in any activity while in, on, or around Grace Community and/or while using any Grace Community's facilities or materials.

I/We agree to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Released Parties from and against any and all costs, expenses, damages, claims, lawsuits, judgments, losses, and/or liabilities (including attorney fees) arising either directly or indirectly from or related to any and all claims made by or against any of the Released Parties due to sickness, bodily injury, death, loss of use, monetary loss, or any other injury from or related to the use of Grace Community's facilities, equipment, or materials, whether caused by the negligence of the Released Parties or otherwise specifically related to COVID-19.

I/We have executed this affirmation and release on: \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_

Authorized Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Witness: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Signature (if needed): \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_