

_____ PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LIMITED ACCESS AGREEMENT

The _____ Presbyterian Church affirms the dignity and worth of all persons. We are committed to being a religious community open to those in need of worshipping God with us, especially in times of serious personal troubles. The following stipulations are designed to reduce the risk to both you and the congregation of an incident or accusation. We welcome you to our congregation and our membership, but your participation will be limited to ensure the safety of our members and friends, and to assure that you will not be subject to future accusations.

Within the following terms, the congregation welcomes your participation only in:

- adult worship services
- coffee hour
- adult education
- all-adult social events
- specific intergenerational events for which permission to attend is approved by Session
- other events and meetings as approved by Session, e.g. choir, [Saturday Lunch for the Homeless, and Third Sunday Lunch]

Terms:

You are to remain in the presence of one of a selected list of adult male members at all times. One specific individual must be scheduled by you to be present with you at any given event.

You are to avoid all unsupervised contact with minors on congregation property or congregation-sponsored events.

You are not to be alone in any church building with any of the female staff persons of _____ Presbyterian Church, or those of any of our contractual partners, for example, _____ (*here you would list any ministries sharing your premises*).

You will not be permitted keys to any church building.

You will sign a release allowing the Minister and Session to contact your treatment providers, officers of the court, and representatives of the correction system to inquire about the level of risk of re-offending that you might pose.

The Minister and Session of _____ Presbyterian Church reserve the right, if deemed necessary, to require that you go for one or more assessments with professional(s) agreed upon by the Session, at your expense.

The Minister and Session of _____ Presbyterian Church reserve the right to disclose your criminal history when and to whom the Minister and Session deem appropriate.

Agreement:

I have reviewed this covenant and agree to abide by its provisions. I understand and agree that if I violate this agreement, I will be denied access to future church functions and church property, and the Church will be entitled to such legal and equitable remedies as may be applicable.

I understand that this contract will be reviewed regularly every six months and will remain in force for an indefinite period.

I understand that this Limited Access Agreement has been submitted to the insurance provider of _____ Presbyterian Church.

Signature

Date

Minister

Date

Clerk of Session

Date

President

Date

Vice-President

Date

Secretary

Date