

PF Community Covenant

Creating a Safe Place of Belonging and Trust for All

Covenant: A covenant is an agreement reached between two or more people wherein each makes promises to the other(s) before God to do or to keep from doing certain things which they have stated in advance.

**As Jesus taught us, I agree to love my neighbor and do what I can to be a friend to each member of the group; to treat every member of PF and the adult leaders with the respect, consideration and kindness which I would want and expect from each of them.*

***I agree to respect the property and adhere to the policies of the First Congregational Church when meeting on site. I also agree to respect the rules and property of any organization which hosts a PF function or trip, understanding that PF represents the whole congregation wherever it goes.**

***I will commit to growing in my faith; continuing to ask questions, explore doubts & affirm my journey. I will work to ensure that PF is a safe place for everyone to explore their faith.**

I agree that when at a PF function, I will participate with a positive and cooperative attitude and make an effort to engage with whatever activity, discussion or work project has been chosen by the officers and adult leaders.

I agree to make PF a tobacco-free, alcohol-free and illegal drug-free environment. I agree to never bring tobacco, alcohol or illegal drugs to any PF function – at the church or away -- nor to use or seek to attain any of these things for myself or anyone else at a PF event.

In agreeing to this, I also understand that if I do any of the above, the following will occur:

1. My parents/guardian will be called, and I will be sent home immediately from any PF activity (here or away) at my parent's expense.
2. In order to return to a PF activity, I will need to meet with a gathering of the PF director, a pastor, the two PF Presidents and one adult volunteer to discuss my behavior.
3. I will make a personal face to face apology to the larger PF gathering for breaking my word to them.

I agree to be someone who can be trusted; who acts with integrity; and who is accountable for my actions, just as I hope to be able to trust others, expect integrity in others and expect others to be accountable for their actions.

I understand that in signing this covenant, I am, before God, giving my word to my PF peers, the adult leaders, my parents and the church that I will do my part in making PF a safe place of belonging and trust for all. I have sat down and read through this covenant with at least one of my parents/guardians.

Print Name: _____

Signed: _____ **Date:** _____

For Parent/Guardian:

I have read the PF Covenant and have discussed it with my son/daughter. I understand that, should it be necessary for my son/daughter to be sent home from an event or trip for breaking this covenant agreement, that I am responsible for arranging for and paying for my son or daughter's immediate transportation home.

Signed: _____ **Date:** _____