

Messiah Lutheran Church Madeline Island 2018 Covenant

A covenant is a promise or agreement between two or more people. This group Covenant contains our promises and commitments to each other for how we will act, interact, and react during our trip to Madeline Island on July 29th-August 3rd, 2018.

We agree to honor one another as members of God's family during this trip by treating each other in the following Christian manner:

- Show concern for other's physical and emotional well being (Matt. 19:19)
- Use words that build people up, avoid put-downs and sarcasm at all times (1Thes 5:11)
- Have a positive attitude and be flexible when things go wrong or schedules change. Participate fully in group activities and commitments. **Don't complain!**

We agree to care for each other in our group by helping each other in these ways:

- Be on time, so we don't hold everyone up
- Not try to "sneak out" of commitments made in this covenant
- Be considerate of others and their sleep needs
- Be accommodating as tasks are assigned, and requests are made of you

We agree to work hard, and play hard!

- Be ready to serve if we do a servant event, but also be ready to have fun!
- Get Enough Sleep
- Stay on task.

We agree to be respectful of the property of others.

- However, don't bring anything that you don't want lost or stolen.

We will stay with the group. (Safety Issues)

- We will at all times be with at least **TWO** other people from **OUR** group (rule of 3)
- A boy and girl are not to be alone together unless they have a specific task they are carrying out (assigned by Andrew Asp, or one of the adult leaders)
- We will not go anywhere with anyone not affiliated with Messiah Lutheran Church under any circumstances. (unless given permission by Andrew Asp)
- (However, we will not be texting or making calls (except emergencies) to anyone during group events. You may make do so during free time.)

We will be good stewards of our resources

- Use your money wisely.
- Share and be a blessing to others!
- Take any prescribed medications in a reasonable timeframe when administered by a chaperone

We agree to dress in modest fashion.

- I will not wear any clothing with inappropriate words or pictures that are not in keeping with our Christian standards.
- I will wear swimwear only in appropriate situations and settings

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If a student does not follow the guidelines of this covenant, they will be subject to the following consequences.

- Confiscation of item(s).
- Youth may be asked to consult privately with a leader, or other youth involved
- Asked to spend all or part of a day under the direct supervision of an adult.
- Damage to property will be the responsibility of the student & parents.

If an individual participates in any activities or others deemed severe, he/she will be sent home immediately at the parents/guardians expense. The following are examples of severe actions.

- Possessing an alcoholic beverage, narcotic, or tobacco product
- Possessing a weapon
- Breaking the law
- Inappropriate sexual behavior

In addition, we expect our Adult Leaders to:

- Model a Christ-like, servant motivated attitude to all
- Follow all the same rules youth must follow
- Show patience and try to get the “whole story” before reacting
- Show a lighthearted, loving, and fun side of themselves
- Consult youth in decision making as much as possible
- Follow this covenant fairly when dealing with problems

This covenant shall serve as my promise to the other members of the group as my commitment to abide by the guidelines of the covenant. All members are responsible for honoring and upholding this covenant, and all members are responsible to remind others of the importance of the covenant.

You have been blessed to be a blessing. Be a good representative of Messiah Lutheran Church!

Participant's Signature

Date

Parents:

Your signature here acknowledges that you have read and discussed these principles with your child. In the unlikely event that problems arise that cannot be handled by the adult leaders, you will be responsible to transport your child home early.

Parent or Guardian's Signature

Date

Primary Adult Leader Signature

Date