**MyChurch**

**FACILITIES USE POLICY**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**MyChurch** facilities exist as evidence of God’s benevolence and the sacrificial generosity of past and present **MyChurch** families. **MyChurch** desires that its facilities be used for the continuing fellowship of the Body of Christ and to bring God glory in accordance with its Mission and Vision. Although our facilities are not generally open to the public, we make our facilities available to approved individuals and groups in a spirit of Christian charity, and as a means of demonstrating the Gospel of Jesus Christ in practice.

Facility use will not be permitted to individuals or groups holding, advancing, or advocating beliefs or practices that conflict with **MyChurch’s** faith statement or moral teachings, which are summarized in its Mission, Vision and Identity Statements. Nor may **MyChurch** facilities be used for activities that contradict, or are deemed inconsistent with, **MyChurch’s** faith statement or moral teachings. The Administrator, or his/her official designee, is the final decision-maker concerning use of **MyChurch** facilities.

This restricted facility use policy is necessary for two important reasons. First, **MyChurch** may not in good conscience materially cooperate in advancing activities or beliefs that are contrary to its sincerely held religious beliefs. Allowing its facilities to be used for purposes that contradict its beliefs and would constitute a grave violation of the religious beliefs sincerely held and supported by **MyChurch**.

Secondly, we believe it is important that **MyChurch** present a consistent message to the community, and that **MyChurch** conscientiously maintain that message as part of its Christian witness. Allowing facilities to be used by groups or individuals who express beliefs or engage in practices contrary to the **MyChurch** Mission and Vision would have a severely negative impact on the message that **MyChurch** strives to promote. In addition, it could cause confusion and scandal to families, staff members, volunteers and the community who may reasonably believe that use of our facilities constitutes or supports agreement with the beliefs or practices of individuals or groups using **MyChurch** facilities.

Therefore, in no event will individuals or groups who hold, advance, or advocate beliefs, or engage in practices that contradict **MyChurch’s** Mission and Vision use any **MyChurch** facility. This policy applies to all **MyChurch** facilities and properties.

**APPROVED USERS & PRIORITY OF USE**

The **MyChurch** Administrator or his/her official designee must approve all uses of **MyChurch** facilities, the terms and conditions of which must be memorialized through the MyChurch Facility Use Agreement.

**LICENSEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

Facilities Use Policy reviewed by:

Date:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Licensee Representative: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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