

# Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Retreat Youth Covenant

I, \_\_\_\_\_, believe that Jesus calls us to care for and love one  
(name of youth)

another. I understand that I represent Christ in all that I do, especially when I participate in church youth activities.

Therefore, I covenant the following with the retreat chaperones and participants:

- I will participate in all retreat activities, unless I have cleared special circumstances with a chaperone:  
\_\_\_\_\_.
- I will not bring anything to this event that will detract from Christian fellowship or possibly cause harm or injury to myself or others (*see list below for items that are NOT allowed*).\*\*\*\*
- I will not leave the designated retreat space until the event concludes, unless I have cleared special circumstances with a chaperone: \_\_\_\_\_.
- I will be open and welcoming to others, especially those who are new to our group.
- I will honor and respect the chaperones who have volunteered their time to be with us this weekend.
- I will honor, respect, and follow all rules and guidelines given by the chaperones.
- I will try my best to reflect God's love in all that I do and say.

I understand that if I break this covenant, I will be in conversation with a chaperone about my behavior and the chaperones may call my parents to escort me home.

**\*\*\*\*The following items are NOT allowed at ANY youth event: energy drinks (Red Bull, Monster, & others of this nature), non-prescription or prescription drugs that have not been cleared with a chaperone, alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs, cigarettes, weapons (including Boy Scout knives), fireworks, open flames (matches, lighters).**

I understand that if I bring any of the above items to a youth event or lock-in, my parents will be called to escort me home immediately.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(signature of youth)

### **For Parents of youth under the age of 18:**

I have read the above covenant with my youth, and I agree to pick up my youth from the retreat should he or she dishonor this covenant. I understand that the chaperones will lovingly and respectfully honor this covenant with the youth and that all disciplinary actions are intended to help youth grow in faith, love, and service to Jesus Christ.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(signature of parent)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(printed name of parent)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(phone # where you can be reached through duration of retreat)

As Director of Faith Formation, I covenant to the youth, parents, and chaperones: to coordinate all retreat activities and worship to build Christian faith and relationships among our youth and adults, to support and equip all adult leaders serving as chaperones, to be available and present as needed for any emergencies, and to designate an adult as "lead chaperone" in my absence.

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Pastor Lauren D. Wegner

**Good Shepherd Lutheran Church**

# Retreat Chaperone Covenant

I, \_\_\_\_\_, believe that Jesus calls us to care for and love one another. I understand that I represent Christ in all that I do, especially when I participate, lead, and serve as a chaperone at church youth activities. I covenant to honor my responsibilities as chaperone for this retreat:

- To love and nurture the youth participants through caring actions, words, and discipline
- To work with my fellow chaperones to develop and adhere to rules and guidelines for retreat participants
- To openly respect my fellow chaperones and, where there is disagreement, seek a mutual solution
- To defer for all major decisions to Pastor Lauren or to the chaperone designated as “lead chaperone” for the weekend
- To participate in all retreat activities as I am able
- To encourage youth participants in their faith

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I will seek to serve Christ as I serve our youth at this retreat.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(signature)

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