



THE CHURCH OF
SAINT LUKE
IN THE FIELDS

COVENANT FOR CARING

The expectations for children, young people and adults in programs at
St. Luke's Church.

Parents and Caregivers: please review these expectations with your children; ask what might be most difficult to accomplish, and what is easiest, and share your own "most difficult" and "easiest."

1. We respect each other including respecting each other's feelings and bodies at all times.
2. We listen to one another including all members of staff (including custodians, teachers and clergy). If a paid or volunteer staff member tells someone to stop a behavior we comply. They are concerned for our safety and the safety of other people as well as the building and grounds.
3. We respect the building and grounds: we do not stand on furniture, climb trees, run on the stairs, smoke inside, or anything else that would cause this to become an unsafe environment. No-one should be in the kitchen without specific purpose; children should not be in the kitchen or the gym without adult supervision. *No-one should play or move things on the stages in the gym or the auditorium.*
4. We talk with one another: we greet each other in a friendly way and we respect each other's privacy; we tell each other when we are concerned about or thankful for their being in this community. *Children/young people must tell a responsible adult when they leave any organized activity for any reason.*
5. When we are angry, we talk about it. We try not to hurt other people: no hitting, kicking, throwing or biting, no name calling or shaming either in front of or behind the back of someone else. Teachers are available to help us know what is ok for hitting (pillows), kicking (balls) and/or biting (snacks or biting toys), and where it is ok to yell (outside, but not at people). When we get hurt we tell a responsible adult right away.
6. When we feel uncomfortable or unsafe in any way, we tell one of the grown-ups in charge that we trust. *(Please ask your child which adult they would talk to if they were scared or worried and you were not there).*