



Participation Covenant Statement for Volunteers

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
1208 Rose Creek Drive
Woodstock, GA 30189

For 2023/2024

The congregation of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church is committed to providing a safe and secure environment for all children, youth, staff and volunteers who participate in congregation-sponsored activities of the church. The following statements reflect our congregation's commitment to preserving this church as a holy place of safety and protection for all who would enter and as a place in which all people can experience the love of God through relationships with others.

1. Individuals who have a public record of abusive behavior towards others are not acceptable as volunteers to work in any church sponsored activity.
2. Anyone who is a survivor of abuse needs the love and support of our congregation. Someone who fits this definition and who desires to volunteer in some capacity to work in a church sponsored activity is encouraged to discuss their background with a member of the rostered staff before accepting an assignment.

Please READ each statement and sign below indicating your agreement.

1. I have read the Good Shepherd Children & Youth Protection Policy, received a copy of it, understand its contents, and agree to abide by it.
2. When substantive changes to the Children & Youth Protection Policy are made and Good Shepherd establishes training sessions or other means of informing volunteers of the changes, I agree to attend required training or to follow the procedure provided in order to keep abreast of current Children & Youth Protection Policy. When unsure of policy requirements or implications, I agree to be accountable for following up and clarifying policy questions so that compliance is maintained and the safety of our children and youth is prioritized.
3. I agree to inform a rostered staff member if I have any public record of abusive behavior in my personal history or if something were to come up during my time as a volunteer.
4. I agree to inform a member of the Good Shepherd rostered staff if I am convicted of any criminal charges in the future.
5. Failure to abide to any of the statements above will result in loss of volunteer status & further investigation in membership within the church.

Print full name of Volunteer

Signature of Volunteer

Date