

## **Aldersgate United Methodist Church Volunteer/Employee Covenant Statement**

*The congregation of Aldersgate United Methodist Church is committed to providing a safe and secure environment for all children/youth/vulnerable adults, volunteers and employees who participate in ministries and activities sponsored by the church. The following policy statements reflect our congregation's commitment to preserving this church as a holy place of safety and protection for all who would enter.*

1. No individual who has been convicted of child or domestic abuse (sexual, physical, or emotional) shall be allowed to volunteer with children, youth, or vulnerable adults in any church-sponsored activity.
2. All individuals involved with children, youth, or vulnerable adults must be members or regular attendees for at least six months before being assigned as a volunteer supervisor.
3. Any individual who volunteers or works with children, youth or vulnerable adults shall observe the "Two-Adult Rule" so that no adult is ever alone with children or youth.
4. Any individual who volunteers to work with children, youth, or vulnerable adults should attend regular training and educational events when provided by the church to keep volunteers informed of church policies and state laws regarding child abuse.
5. All volunteers and employees shall immediately report to their supervisor any behavior that seems abusive or inappropriate.

I have read this Volunteer/Employee Covenant Statement and the Aldersgate United Methodist Church Safe Sanctuary Policy, and I agree to abide by all the policies set forth herein.

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Signature of Applicant

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Date

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Print full name