

# Terms of Service

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First Presbyterian Church Greenville

Effective Date: [Insert Date]

## 1. Introduction and Acceptance of Terms

Welcome to the website of First Presbyterian Church Greenville (“First Presbyterian Church,” “First Pres,” “the Church,” “we,” “us,” or “our”), located in Greenville, South Carolina.

These Terms of Service (“Terms”) govern your access to and use of our website, [www.firstpresgreenville.org](http://www.firstpresgreenville.org), including its content, features, online services, and resources (collectively, the “Website”).

Our Website exists to support the mission and ministries of First Presbyterian Church by providing information about worship, discipleship, fellowship, outreach, events, and opportunities to connect with our congregation and community.

By accessing or using the Website, you agree to these Terms and acknowledge our Privacy Policy at <https://www.firstpresgreenville.org/privacy-policy>. If you do not agree to these Terms, please discontinue use of the Website.

We reserve the right to update these Terms as necessary to reflect changes in our ministries, services, technology, or applicable laws.

## 2. Use of the Website

The Website is provided for informational, educational, spiritual, and ministry-related purposes. Visitors are welcome to access church information, learn about our ministries, view worship services, listen to sermons and podcasts, register for events, and utilize other available resources.

You agree to use the Website responsibly and in accordance with applicable laws.

You may not:

- Use the Website for unlawful, fraudulent, misleading, or harmful purposes.
- Attempt to gain unauthorized access to the Website, its systems, or user accounts.
- Interfere with the operation, functionality, or security of the Website.
- Introduce viruses, malicious software, or other harmful technology.
- Collect or misuse personal information about other Website users.
- Reproduce, distribute, or commercially exploit Website content without appropriate permission.

The Church reserves the right to restrict access to the Website or its services when necessary to protect its users, information, or operations.

### **3. Website Accounts and Security**

Certain Website features or ministry-related services may require users to create an account or register through an authorized third-party platform.

If you establish an account, you are responsible for maintaining the confidentiality of your login credentials and for activities conducted through your account.

You agree to provide accurate information when creating an account or registering for church activities and to notify the Church or the applicable service provider promptly if you suspect unauthorized access.

Some accounts and registration services may be administered by third-party providers and may be subject to their own terms and privacy policies.

### **4. Online Giving and Donations**

First Presbyterian Church provides opportunities to support its ministries through online giving and other charitable contributions.

Donations submitted through the Website may be processed by secure third-party payment providers. By making an online contribution, you authorize the applicable payment provider to process the transaction according to the information you submit.

Please review donation amounts, payment information, and any recurring giving instructions before completing a transaction.

Charitable contributions are generally nonrefundable. Requests to correct a transaction made in error will be reviewed by the Church in accordance with applicable laws and church policies.

First Presbyterian Church is a tax-exempt religious organization. The tax-deductibility of any contribution depends on applicable law and the circumstances of the gift. Donors are responsible for consulting their own tax advisers regarding charitable deductions.

For questions concerning contributions or giving records, please contact the Church.

### **5. Event Registrations, Tickets, and Payments**

The Website may provide opportunities to register for worship-related activities, conferences, concerts, classes, camps, retreats, and other church-sponsored events.

Some activities require registration, payment, or acceptance of additional participation policies.

Event schedules, locations, availability, registration deadlines, and fees are subject to change.

Refunds, cancellations, and transfers, when available, are governed by the policies established for each event or activity.

Registration and payment services may be administered through third-party platforms, which may have additional terms and conditions.

The Church reserves the right to modify, postpone, or cancel events when necessary.

## **6. Sermons, Worship Services, and Ministry Content**

First Presbyterian Church makes sermons, worship services, podcasts, educational materials, articles, photographs, videos, and other ministry resources available through its Website and associated digital platforms.

These resources are provided to encourage spiritual growth, Christian education, and participation in the life and ministries of the Church.

Unless otherwise indicated, visitors may access and share links to publicly available ministry content for personal, educational, and noncommercial purposes.

Downloading, reproducing, modifying, republishing, selling, or distributing substantial portions of copyrighted materials may require prior written permission.

Certain content, including music, artwork, photography, video recordings, and published materials, may be owned by third parties or used under specific licenses. Such content remains subject to the rights and restrictions established by its respective copyright owners.

Permission to access or view content does not grant permission to reproduce or redistribute materials beyond the rights permitted by applicable law or licensing agreements.

## **7. Copyright and Intellectual Property**

Unless otherwise indicated, the Website and its original content, including text, graphics, photographs, designs, logos, and other materials, are owned by First Presbyterian Church or used with appropriate authorization.

All applicable intellectual property rights are reserved.

The Church respects the intellectual property rights of others and expects Website visitors to do the same.

If you believe that material appearing on the Website infringes your copyright, please contact the Church with sufficient information to identify the material and explain your concern.

Copyright infringement notices submitted under the Digital Millennium Copyright Act (DMCA) will be reviewed and addressed in accordance with applicable law.

The Church may remove or restrict access to allegedly infringing content when appropriate.

## **8. Text Messaging Program**

First Presbyterian Church Greenville offers an optional text messaging program to help individuals stay informed about church activities, ministries, and events.

By voluntarily opting in to the text messaging program, you agree to receive ministry announcements, event reminders, church updates, and communications related to your selected ministries or activities.

The following terms apply to participation in the program:

- **Message Frequency:** Message frequency varies, typically up to 4–8 messages per month.
- **Message and Data Rates:** Message and data rates may apply depending on your mobile carrier and service plan.

- Opt-Out: Reply STOP to any message to unsubscribe at any time.
- Assistance: Reply HELP to any message for assistance.
- Privacy: Mobile numbers and text messaging consent information are not sold, rented, or shared with third parties for their marketing or promotional purposes.

Participation in the text messaging program is voluntary and is not required to attend worship services, participate in church ministries, or make charitable contributions.

By enrolling, you confirm that you are authorized to receive text messages at the mobile number provided. Consent to receive text messages applies to the specific messaging program or programs for which you have opted in.

You may withdraw your consent at any time by replying STOP to a message from the applicable program.

For questions or assistance, contact First Presbyterian Church at 864.235.0496 or [contactus@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:contactus@firstpresgreenville.org).

Additional information about the collection and use of personal information is available in our Privacy Policy at <https://www.firstpresgreenville.org/privacy-policy>.

## **9. Children and Minors**

First Presbyterian Church is committed to providing a welcoming and responsible online environment for individuals and families of all ages.

The Website contains information about children's ministries, student ministries, educational programs, and family activities.

Parents and legal guardians are encouraged to supervise their children's use of the internet and to assist minors with online registrations and activities.

Individuals under 18 should obtain permission from a parent or legal guardian before submitting personal information, creating an account, registering for activities, or making payments through the Website.

Where parental or guardian consent is required by applicable law, the Church will seek such consent before collecting or processing personal information.

Information concerning children and minors will be handled in accordance with our Privacy Policy and applicable laws.

## **10. Third-Party Websites and Services**

The Website may contain links to websites, applications, payment processors, registration platforms, social media services, video hosting services, and other resources operated by third parties.

These services may include platforms used for online giving, event registration, ministry communications, worship broadcasts, and other church activities.

While we seek to provide links to appropriate and useful resources, First Presbyterian Church does not control the content, security practices, availability, or privacy policies of third-party websites.

A link to an external website does not necessarily constitute an endorsement of its content, products, or services.

When accessing third-party services, you may be subject to their separate terms of service and privacy policies.

We encourage visitors to review those policies before submitting personal or payment information.

## **11. Privacy and Personal Information**

First Presbyterian Church respects the privacy of individuals who visit our Website and participate in our ministries.

Information submitted through online forms, registrations, donations, communication subscriptions, and other Website features is handled in accordance with our Privacy Policy.

Our Privacy Policy explains how we collect, use, disclose, and protect personal information, including information associated with online services and ministry communications.

Please review our Privacy Policy at <https://www.firstpresgreenville.org/privacy-policy> for additional details.

## **12. Accuracy of Information**

First Presbyterian Church makes reasonable efforts to ensure that information published on the Website is accurate, current, and helpful.

However, worship schedules, event dates, ministry activities, registration details, staff information, and other content may change without notice.

The Church does not guarantee that all information will be complete, current, or free from errors.

Visitors are encouraged to contact the Church directly to confirm information when necessary.

## **13. Disclaimer of Warranties**

The Website and its content are provided on an “as is” and “as available” basis.

To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, First Presbyterian Church disclaims warranties, whether express or implied, regarding the operation, availability, accuracy, reliability, or suitability of the Website and its content.

While we strive to maintain a secure and accessible online environment, we cannot guarantee that the Website will operate without interruption, technical difficulties, or errors.

Nothing in these Terms excludes any warranty or protection that cannot lawfully be excluded.

## **14. Limitation of Liability**

To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, First Presbyterian Church, its officers, employees, representatives, volunteers, and service providers shall not be liable for indirect, incidental, special, or consequential damages arising from or related to the use of, or inability to use, the Website.

This includes, where legally permissible, damages resulting from interruptions in Website availability, technical failures, unauthorized third-party activity, or reliance on information provided through the Website.

Nothing in these Terms limits or excludes liability that cannot legally be limited or excluded under applicable law.

## **15. Indemnification**

To the extent permitted by applicable law, you agree to indemnify and hold harmless First Presbyterian Church, its officers, employees, and representatives from third-party claims, damages, liabilities, and reasonable expenses arising directly from your unlawful use of the Website or material violation of these Terms.

This provision does not apply to the extent a claim results from the Church's own unlawful conduct or other liability that cannot legally be excluded.

## **16. Changes to These Terms**

First Presbyterian Church reserves the right to revise or update these Terms of Service as necessary.

Changes may reflect updates to Website functionality, ministry activities, legal requirements, or operational practices.

Revised Terms will be posted on this page with an updated effective date.

Your continued use of the Website after revised Terms become effective constitutes acceptance of the updated Terms to the extent permitted by applicable law.

## **17. Governing Law**

These Terms of Service shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of South Carolina, United States, without regard to its conflict-of-law principles, except where applicable law requires otherwise.

## **18. Contact Information**

If you have questions about these Terms of Service, Website content, or the Church's online services, please contact:

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Email: [contactus@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:contactus@firstpresgreenville.org)

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We appreciate your interest in First Presbyterian Church and welcome your participation in the life and ministries of our congregation.