

**St. Peter's Lutheran Church of Cape Cod
and
St. Mary of Magdala Ecumenical Catholic Church
2024 Covenant of Agreement**

In support of our ministries in our Lord, we together covenant:

- To pray for one another,
- To extend the hand of Christian hospitality to one another,
- To care, welcome and be generous with each other,
- And to share the gospel of Christ in the world.

St. Peter's Lutheran Church (SPLC) agrees to provide space to St. Mary of Magdala Ecumenical Catholic Church (SMMECC) according to the following schedule:

Saturday: 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm Worship and Fellowship (Sanctuary, Narthex, Upstairs Kitchen, Nursery, Luther Room)

Daily: Office

Other spaces can be used when scheduled through church staff.

On occasion, the needs of St. Peter's of St. Mary of Magdala may require adjustments to scheduled time and/or rooms.

In covenant together, the congregations of St. Peter's and St. Mary of Magdala both agree to be mindful of the many groups that use the facility.

General Care and Safety of the Building and Meeting Spaces:

- To care for the space by keeping it clean and in proper order; to care for furniture, books, etc., with respect.
- To return all rooms to their original order and furniture layout as found and with reasonable cleanliness.
- A vacuum and extra trash bags are available to be used if a particular event has created a situation that needs attention.
- Children and teenagers up through the age of 17 should not be left without adult supervision.
- To provide for proper security of building, especially upon leaving, including securing locks and windows as appropriate.
- To make sure all electricity is shut off (lights, etc.).
- To alter thermostat settings only as discussed and approved by the SPLC staff, (this does not apply to the thermostat in SMMECC's office).
- To report any concerns about the building, grounds, and meeting rooms that need attention to SPLC's Ministry Administrator, Pastor, or congregational liaison (e.g., lack of necessary supplies in kitchen or bathrooms, wind or water damage, missing or damaged items).

- To participate in scheduled work days to help clean and maintain the building and grounds.
- To provide a Certificate of comprehensive general liability Insurance of \$1,000,000 naming St. Peter’s church, its officers, directors, agents and employees as additional insured.

Sound System/Organ:

- The church organ and Steinway piano in the sanctuary are not to be used by anyone without written or documented permission of St. Peter’s Minister of Music.
- The electronic piano can be used freely.
- The sound system and livestreaming computer in the sanctuary may be used, but the settings should not be changed.
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Donations:

- To contribute \$800 per month as a facility use fee.
- There is no fee for funerals of SMMECC members and their immediate family.
- The building use fee for non-member funerals held in the sanctuary is \$100. The fee for a reception in the Fellowship Hall is an additional \$100. There is an additional fee of \$120 when SPLC custodial services are needed. Any other events for non-members will be addressed case by case.
- The fee for non-member weddings held in the sanctuary is \$225 plus \$120 when SPLC custodial services are used.

Joint Advisory Board (JAB) – Communications:

- Consists of the Pastors of both churches and at least one (1) member from each congregation who will be designated a “liaison.” The role of the liaison will be to share relevant communications between the congregations and their boards.
- JAB meetings will be held twice annually and more often as needed to promote open and ongoing communication, discuss any problems, upcoming changes, and consideration of any joint projects or ministries as deemed advisable by the congregations.
- The governing boards of each congregation will have final approval of any actions decided upon by the JAB.

Length of Covenant:

This covenant covers the use of St. Peter’s facilities by St. Mary of Magdala from November 2024 through October 2025. It may be renewed annually upon review of both governing boards.

Termination: Either party may terminate this covenant with 90 days written notice to the other party.

Juliet Bongfeldt, SPLC Council President

Elisa Bucci, SMMECC, Chair of the Board

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