

COVID-19 ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY

The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, was declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is **extremely contagious** and is believed to spread by person-to-person contact, contact with contaminated surfaces and objects, and in the air. There is no known cure for COVID-19. Evidence has shown that COVID-19 can cause serious and potentially life-threatening illness and even death. As a result, federal, state, and local governments and health agencies recommend physical distancing and other preventative measures.

The Lompoc FUMC implemented preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19 but cannot prevent you and/or your children from being exposed to, contracting, or spreading COVID-19 while attending Lompoc FUMC services or while on its premises. It is not possible, even with heightened cleaning and physical distancing, to completely prevent against the presence of the disease. Therefore, if you choose to attend Lompoc FUMC services and/or enter onto the Lompoc FUMC premises, you may be exposing you (and your children) to an increased risk of contracting or spreading COVID-19.

ASSUMPTION OF RISK: I have read and understand the above warning concerning COVID-19. I voluntarily agree to accept any and all risk of being exposed to COVID-19 on my behalf and/or my children's behalf to attend Lompoc FUMC services and/or enter the Lompoc FUMC premises; and understand that such exposure may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, and death. The Lompoc FUMC's services are of such value to me and/or my children, that I accept the risk of being exposed to, contracting, and/or spreading COVID-19 to attend Lompoc FUMC services and/or enter the Lompoc FUMC premises in person.

WAIVER OF LAWSUIT/LIABILITY: I hereby forever release and waive my right to sue the Lompoc FUMC and the California-Pacific Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church and their successors, owners, officers, directors, trustees, agents, employees, volunteers, or other representatives in connection with exposure, infection, and/or spread of COVID-19 related to attending Lompoc FUMC services and on the Lompoc FUMC premises. I understand that this waiver means I give up my right to bring any claims including for personal injuries, disability, death, disease or property losses, or any other loss, including but not limited to claims of negligence, and give up any claim I may have to seek damages, whether known or unknown, foreseen or unforeseen.

CHOICE OF LAW: I understand and agree that the law of the State of California will apply to this contract.

I HAVE READ AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ALL PROVISIONS OF THIS RELEASE, AND ON MY OWN BEHALF, AND ON BEHALF OF MY CHILD(REN), FREELY AND KNOWINGLY ASSUME THE RISK AND WAIVE MY/OUR RIGHTS CONCERNING LIABILITY AS DESCRIBED ABOVE.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

Printed Names of Minor Children: _____