Asbury United Methodist Church
*Guidelines Regarding the Use of Images of Minors**

Consent Form

At Asbury United Methodist Church, the issue of personal safety is taken very seriously. This includes consideration of the use of images of minors (persons under age 18) for the purposes of sharing and celebrating the life and ministry of the church. Images of children and youth are occasionally used in displays or publications, and on our website; however, it is our duty of care that minors must remain unidentifiable, reducing the risk of inappropriate contact, if images are used in this way.

Please review the following Statement on Photographs and Digital Images:

> Photography and video recording are important ways of recording Asbury United Methodist Church activity and providing a historic record – illustrating and validating important moments in people's lives and the life of our Church. It is, however, a powerful and personal process, and we must therefore respect the right of everyone to decide whether these images may be used for any purpose. Use of any photograph for any purpose (whether digital or physical display) must be preceded by obtaining written and specific consent from parents or guardians of all minors (persons under age 18). Further, pictures of minors shall not be identified by name or other personal data, including email or postal address.

_____ I have read the above statement and **give my consent** for photographs or digital images of my child/youth (under age 18) to be used accordingly.

_____ I have read the above statement and **do not give my consent** for photographs or digital images of my child/youth (under age 18) to be used for any purpose.

Name of child/youth: _____

Name of parent or guardian: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Signature of parent/guardian: _____

Date: _____

Return completed form to:

Asbury United Methodist Church
1533 Springhouse Road
Allentown, PA 18104

Please note that consent status may be reviewed and modified by parent/guardian at any time throughout the duration of the effective consent period by contacting the church office. This form is considered valid for the duration of the student's time as part of Asbury's Childrens Ministries Programs or Asbury Youth Ministries, or until they turn 18 (eighteen).

*Minors are defined as any person under the age of 18 (eighteen).

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