



## **Purpose**

At The Village Christian Church we regularly capture photographs and video recordings of our services, events, and activities. These images and recordings help us share our community's story, celebrate our ministry, and communicate effectively with both our congregation and the broader community.

## **Notice of Recording**

By entering our premises, you acknowledge and agree that:

- Photography and video recording may occur during any church service or event
- These recordings may include worship services, Bible studies, community events, fellowship activities, and other church programs
- Both professional and volunteer photographers/videographers may be present
- Live streaming of services and events may occur
- Security cameras are in operation on our premises for safety purposes

## **Use of Media**

Photographs and video recordings may be used for:

- Church website content
- Social media platforms (including but not limited to Facebook, Instagram, YouTube)
- Promotional materials and advertisements
- Church newsletters and publications
- Internal communications
- Live streaming services
- Historical documentation
- Ministry development and training

## **Privacy Considerations**

We are committed to respecting the privacy and dignity of our congregation and visitors:

- We strive to present all individuals in a respectful and appropriate manner
- Special care is taken during sensitive moments such as prayer, communion, or pastoral care
- Parents/guardians of children under 18 are encouraged to notify church staff if they have specific privacy concerns
- We will make reasonable efforts to accommodate specific privacy requests when notified

## **Opt-Out Options**

If you prefer not to appear in church photos or videos:

- Please notify our church office or media team
- Identify yourself to the photographer/videographer when present
- Submit a written request to Cailey Walker at [cailey@thevillagechristianchurch.com](mailto:cailey@thevillagechristianchurch.com)

## **Personal Photography/Recording**

We ask that all congregants and visitors respect these guidelines for personal photography and recording:

- Be mindful of others' privacy and personal space
- Refrain from flash photography during services
- Avoid disrupting worship services or events
- Do not post photos of others' children without parental permission
- Follow any additional guidelines provided during special events

## **Questions or Concerns**

For questions about our photography and video policy, or to discuss specific privacy concerns, please contact:

The Village Christian Church, Cailey Walker, [cailey@thevillagechristianchurch.com](mailto:cailey@thevillagechristianchurch.com), 815-467-2265

We reserve the right to modify this policy at any time. Any changes will be posted on our website and communicated to the congregation.

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