

Community United Methodist Church, Huntington Beach, CA

Photo and Video Policy and Notice (Revised 12/03/2020)

The purpose of this policy is to let you know that at Community United Methodist Church (CUMC) we value the way in which photos, videos and other media help our faith community grow and flourish. Photos and videos help to tell our story, to provide guests information and an idea of what to expect when they attend our worship services and events, to highlight the work of those who serve, and to allow us to communicate our mission as a church not only for regular members and guest, but as well for those who are unable to worship with us in person.

Accordingly, photography, videography, live streaming and other recording may be in progress at CUMC's church services, ministry activities, classes, programs and other church events. CUMC may use the media recorded at these events in materials produced by or for the church, including, but not limited to, our bulletins, posters, brochures, newsletters and other printed and electronic materials, and digital media such as CUMC's website, Facebook Page and other social media platforms.

While we reserve the right to photograph and record church events, we strive to ensure that photography and videography are used in safe and positive ways. It shall be CUMC's policy to:

1. Not knowingly or intentionally record or post any photo, video or other recording that would be embarrassing, objectionable or hurtful to any clearly, personally identifiable individual in the recording;
2. Not record, display or publish the names of individuals;
3. Not stream full-face ("head-shot") images of Children (K-5) or Youth (6-12);
4. Offer a sanctuary "no video" zone for worshipers and guests;
5. Use parental release forms for selected activities such Vacation Bible School, Music Camp, Messy Church and Faith Friends;

6. Publish this **Policy and Notice** on our website, in our sanctuary narthex, in our pew Fellowship Binders, in our weekly Sunday Worship Guides and Saturday worship printed materials.

By participating in CUMC's church services, ministry activities, classes, programs and other events:

1. You consent to be photographed, videotaped or otherwise recorded;
2. You grant your permission for CUMC to use recordings containing your image, likeness, voice or statements, without compensation, credit or other consideration to you, for CUMC's promotional, publicity and other purposes, throughout the world and in perpetuity;
3. You agree to release, hold harmless and indemnify CUMC, it's Pastor(s), church officers, employees, and laity from any and all liabilities and claims involving the taking, recording, digitizing or publication of your image, likeness, voice or statements;
4. You waive any right to inspect or approve any photo, video or audio recording taken by CUMC or the person(s) or entity(ies) designated by CUMC to do so.

Additionally, if you see a photo on the CUMC website or social media page(s) that includes you or your child and would prefer it be removed, please contact our Office Manager at 714-842-4461/4462. Please note we cannot remove your image from video or live streamed content. Local news organizations may hear of our ministries and we may give them permission to visit our campus for reporting on events or special interest features. Please know that CUMC has no control over the recording, use and posting of images or other media by non-CUMC Staff (e.g., by community members) and no ability to remove such media from publications, including internet or social media sites, that are not directly controlled by CUMC.