

Cape Cod Church of Christ

Church Property & Facility Use Policy

Purpose

Our Church facilities are a blessing entrusted to us for worship, fellowship, and ministry. This policy exists to ensure our buildings and grounds remain clean, safe, and ready for all who gather here.

To remain at peace with our neighbors and to remain in good standing with local government and public safety standards, we ask that all members, guests, and ministry groups help us care for this shared space with respect and consideration.

General Expectations

- Clean up after themselves and restore areas to their original condition
- Dispose of all trash in appropriate receptacles
- Report any damage or maintenance concerns promptly

Property Use Guidelines

Smoking

- Smoking is not allowed within 50' of the building
- Smoking is allowed only in designated outdoor areas. All nicotine product use must be disposed of properly and not discarded on building grounds.

Parking

- Park in designated parking spaces only; do not park on grass or landscaped areas
- Exceptions may be made for large events (e.g., Friends Day or Youth Rallies) with overflow parking, only as directed by the Elders and Deacons

No Alcohol or drug use is permitted on the property

Overnight Use

- No overnight vehicle parking is permitted on church property
- No overnight stays are allowed in the building or on the grounds, except for approved ministry events such as summer camps, retreats, or children's and youth programs

Personal Property

- Personal belongings may not be left overnight inside or outside the building
- The Church is not responsible for lost or unattended items

Room-Specific Responsibilities

Nursery

- Remove all trash and dispose of diapers properly
- Return all toys and books to their designated places
- Leave the room clean and ready for the next use

Auditorium

- Remove all trash
- Clear away artwork, toys, paper scraps, or materials
- Return blankets to the lobby area

Fellowship Room

- Return all chairs and tables to their assigned locations
- Remove all trash and personal items

Kitchen

Our kitchen is a shared space and should be left clean and ready for the next group.

- Clean all surfaces, utensils, and equipment after use
- Remove all trash and leftover food items
- Do not leave personal items or food in the kitchen overnight

Important: Our kitchen is not a commercial kitchen, as it is not equipped with a grease trap. Because of this, food preparation from scratch is not permitted.

In accordance with Health Department guidelines, the kitchen may be used only to warm or serve foods that have been prepared at home or in a properly equipped commercial kitchen.

Climate Control & Shared Items

- Thermostats and climate controls are for staff use only
- Blankets are available in the lobby and should be returned there after use

Responsibility & Care

All who use the Church facilities share the responsibility of caring for them. Please use all spaces respectfully and safely.

The Church is not responsible for lost or unattended personal items. Any damage or concerns should be reported promptly so they can be addressed.

All policies may be modified or suspended as needed by the leadership in certain unforeseen events or circumstances.

Closing Thought

“Let all things be done decently and in order.” (1 Corinthians 14:40)

By caring for this space together, we serve one another and honor the work God has given us to do.