

## ACCESSIBILITY AUDIT

Based on the United Methodist Church's accessibility manual

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***Accessibility Audit for Churches, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition***  
edited by the Rev. Kathy N. Reeves.

**Remember, everyone whether they live with a disability or not, is unique. Therefore, it is impossible to make universal decisions about what accommodations will be completely welcoming to everyone. As with all reciprocal relationships, it is always important and appropriate to ask the people being welcomed what will work for them.**

### BEYOND THE BUILDING

yes no

- 1. Are church picnics, retreats, and camping outings held in parks and facilities that are accessible for people with disabilities, including mobility impairments?
- 2. Are all church-sponsored community events held in accessible venues?
- 3. Does planning of church-sponsored community activities include the availability of public transportation that is accessible?
- 4. If church-sponsored community activities are not accessible by public transportation, is a pool of volunteers available who would provide transportation for participants?
- 5. Is a qualified sign language interpreter available for church-sponsored community activities for people who request it in advance?
- 6. If meetings or gatherings such as covenant/chalice groups take place in people's homes, is there at least one home or venue that is accessible for people who have mobility limitations?
- 7. If meals/banquets/social events are planned, is care taken to make sure that the location is in a facility that is accessible for people who have mobility limitations?

- 8. Does the congregation's constitution and by-laws include non-discriminatory language?
- 9. Do all church-sponsored events that require registration have space on the registration form for participants to indicate accessibility needs?
- 10. Do all church-sponsored events that require registration have larger print and non-print registration form alternatives?