Assumption of the Risk and Waiver of Liability Relating to Coronavirus/COVID-19

The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health organization. **COVID-19 is extremely contagious** and is believed to spread mainly from person-to-person contact. As a result, federal, state and local governments and federal and state health agencies recommend social distancing and have, in many locations, prohibited the congregation of groups of people.

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church ("GSLC") has put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19; however, GSLC cannot guarantee that you or those in your household will not become infected with COVID-19. Further, attending GSLC could increase the risk of you and your household contracting COVID-19.

By signing this agreement, I acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume the risk that my household and I may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 by attending GSLC and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability and death. I understand that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 at GSLC may result from the actions, omissions or negligence of myself and others, including, but not limited to, GSLC staff, volunteers and service or activity participants and their families.

I voluntarily agree to assume all of the foregoing risks and accept sole responsibility for any injury to my household or myself (including, but not limited to, personal injury, disability and death), illness, damage, loss, claim, liability or expense, of any kind, that I or my household may experience or incur in connection with our attendance at GSLC or participation at a GSLC service or activity ("Claims"). On my behalf, and on behalf of my household, I hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge and hold harmless GSLC, its staff, agents and representatives, of and from the Claims, including all liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs or expenses of any kind arising out of or relating thereto. I understand and agree that this release includes any Claims based on the actions, omissions or negligence of GSLC, its staff, agents and representatives, whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during or after participation in any GSLC service or activity.

Head of Household signature	Date	