

Building Usage and Fundraising Policies Of Resurrection Lutheran Church Newnan, Georgia

Guard the good deposit that was entrusted to you-guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us. 2 Timothy 1:14

The “good deposit” that Paul challenged Timothy to guard was the Gospel, but this verse is also a powerful directive from God and Resurrection’s congregation to its elected representatives. Everything pertaining to Resurrection Lutheran Church is “the good deposit” that the Church Council is entrusted to guard.

A major area of stewardship for the Council to decide on is allocation of Resurrection’s physical property for activities and fundraisers. A Building Usage Application Form is submitted to Church Council for consideration. The Church Council has the duty and responsibility to conduct its own research regarding whether an individual or organization not familiar to the Council shall be allowed to use the facilities and/or conduct fundraisers. Priority will be given to Resurrection’s own groups, and no such group activity shall interfere with the normal functions of the church.

Candidates for Building Usage (not affiliated with Resurrection Lutheran)

- Local Non-Profit Organizations (i.e., Boy Scouts)
- Organizations affiliated with the Lutheran Church (i.e., Thrivent Financial for Lutherans)
- Organizations affiliated with other established religious denominations
- Organizations that benefit “at-need” members of the community (i.e., Second Hand Smiles).
- Individuals providing instruction in the arts, crafts, or physical fitness activities.

Candidates for Fundraisers (not affiliated with Resurrection Lutheran)

- Local Non-Profit Organizations
- Organizations affiliated with the Lutheran Church
- Organizations affiliated with other established religious denominations.
- Ad hoc Special Funds (i.e., a fundraiser to pay medical bills for a worthy individual or family). In these cases, Church Council has the right to verify that funds will be deposited to and paid from an account solely dedicated to fulfilling the purpose of the fundraising.

General Usage Guidelines

- The speech, dress, and conduct of all participants will be in accordance with the highest Christian standard. The conduct of all persons attending programs is expected to be respectful of the environment of the church.
- Smoking, illegal substances, and weapons are not permitted in the building and grounds of the church.
- No child or group of children shall ever be left alone at a function or in the church without the minimum of two adult supervisors present.
- Food and dining is restricted to the Fellowship Hall or outside the church.
- Event organizers are expected to leave the building clean and remove all items associated with their programs immediately after the event.