Sensory Sensitivity Inventory

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Please return/mail this form to the Church Office or e-mail responses to laura.gingrich@firstumchershey.org.

Mission Statement of First Church: "We are a church of Jesus Christ, in which all people are welcome, every member is a minister, the world is our responsibility, disciple-making is our goal, and worship is our duty and delight."

In keeping with our mission statement, it is our desire and goal to insure that all people do feel welcome. We acknowledge that there are individuals in our community that have sensory sensitivities that may make it challenging for them to participate as fully as they'd wish during worship and other church gatherings. Although these issues may be invisible, they are real and important. In order for us to become more adaptable and accommodating as a church community, please fill out the inventory below. If a tour of our facility prior to worship/gatherings would be helpful, please contact us so we may arrange a meeting time.

Please circle one: I am completing this form for: myself a child another adult

On a scale to 0-5 with 0=no need and 5=great need, please respond to the following.

1. I need to avoid loud music. 0 1 2 3 4 5
2. I need to be able to walk around during worship. 0 1 2 3 4 5
3. I need to be towards the front of the worship space. 0 1 2 3 4 5
4. I need to be towards the back of the worship space. 0 1 2 3 4 5
5. I need to eat/drink during worship. 0 1 2 3 4 5
6. I have a need for extra personal space. 0 1 2 3 4 5
7. I need to avoid bright or florescent lights. 0 1 2 3 4 5
8. I need wheelchair access. Yes No
9. I need the following forms of communication: Braille, signing, other - please list.
10. If it would be helpful, please illustrate on the back of this paper what a positive worship experience would "look like" to you.

A "Sunday Buddy" is an adult or youth that goes to Sunday School/worship with a child or youth who'd like the support of a compassionate partner. Buddies will be matched with specific children and trained based on individual needs.

_____ I am interested in being a "Sunday Buddy".

_____ I would like a "Sunday Buddy" for my child/family during a worship service (8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.)

_____ I would like a "Sunday Buddy" for my child during the Sunday School hour (9:30-10:30 a.m.)

Name: _____E-mail: _____
Address: _____Phone (Home, Cell): _____
Please list any suggestions/questions/concerns on the back of this paper.