

Photography and Video Policy

Redemption Hills Church, Littleton, CO

Effective date: 9/1/2025

Short Notice for Entrances, Slides, and Event Signage

By entering Redemption Hills Church or participating in any event, you consent to photography, video, and audio recording. Images and recordings may be used by Redemption Hills for church communications including our website, livestreams, social media, printed materials, and presentations. If you prefer not to be photographed or recorded, please visit the Welcome Center to request an Opt-Out Form or email autumn@redemptionhills.com. We will make reasonable efforts to honor your request.

Full Policy

Purpose

We capture photos and video to celebrate what God is doing in our community and to help people see and understand the life of our church. Typical uses include our website, social media such as Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube, livestreams and recordings of services, printed materials such as bulletins and brochures, church newsletters and emails, as well as presentations and promotional materials.

Scope

This policy applies to all services, classes, groups, programs, and church-sponsored events on or off our campus. It covers photography, videography, and audio recording done by Redemption Hills staff, approved volunteers, and approved contractors.

Security cameras used for safety are managed separately and are not covered by this policy.

Implied Consent by Attendance

By being present on church property or at any church-sponsored event, you grant Redemption Hills the right to capture your likeness, voice, and participation and to use those images and recordings for the purposes described above, without compensation.

This includes inclusion in livestreams and archived recordings of services. Reasonable steps will be taken to respect privacy and dignity in all uses.

Opt-Out Option

If you do not wish for you or your child to be photographed or recorded for these purposes, complete and submit the Redemption Hills Photography and Media Opt-Out Form.

How to Opt Out

- Get the form at the Welcome Center or request it by email at autumn@redemptionhills.com.
- Return a signed form to the church office or email it to autumn@redemptionhills.com.
- Questions or concerns can be sent to lisam@redemptionhills.com.

What Opt-Out Means

- We will flag your preferences in our communications system and make every reasonable effort to avoid capturing or publishing identifiable images of you or your child.
- In crowded or public settings, complete exclusion cannot be guaranteed. You may be visible incidentally in the background or in wide crowd shots, and you may appear on livestreams when moving through the worship center.
- If an image is published after you have opted out, notify us at lisam@redemptionhills.com and we will make reasonable efforts to remove it from our channels going forward. Previously printed materials cannot be recalled, and existing livestream archives may not be fully editable, but we will prevent future use.

Minors

We take special care with images of children and students.

- Parents and guardians may file an Opt-Out Form on behalf of their child.
- We avoid using names with children's images unless a parent or guardian provides written permission.
- We avoid close-up identifiable images of children who are on the Opt-Out list and will seat or stage them where practical to respect those preferences.
- Children's counseling, care settings, and safety-sensitive contexts are never photographed.

Sensitive Contexts

We do not capture images in pastoral counseling, prayer counseling, benevolence appointments, support or recovery groups, or any situation where a reasonable person would expect privacy. Baptisms, prayer moments, and altar responses are approached with care to preserve dignity, with respectful camera angles and no unnecessary close-ups.

Livestream and Platform Practices

Our worship services are often livestreamed and recorded. Areas within camera view are posted or announced as recording zones. Those who prefer to avoid camera view may sit in the sections indicated by ushers as lower visibility zones when available.

Outside Photographers and Media

Attendees may take casual photos for personal use as long as they do not disrupt services, block aisles, or capture children in a way that is intrusive or inconsistent with this policy. Commercial or press photography requires prior approval from a staff member. Vendors and contractors working for the church agree to follow this policy.

Ownership and Usage

All media captured by Redemption Hills or its approved volunteers and contractors is the property of Redemption Hills Church. We may edit, adapt, reproduce, publish, and distribute this content for church purposes in print and digital formats without compensation to the subject.

Requesting Removal

If you see an image or clip of yourself or your child that you want removed, email lisam@redemptionhills.com with a link or screenshot and a brief description. We will review the request promptly and, where feasible, remove or replace the content from our channels. This does not require proof of having filed an Opt-Out Form, but having one on file helps us prevent future use.

Conduct and Safety

Photographers and videographers serving with Redemption Hills will be clearly identified where practical, will be respectful, and will avoid obstructing worship or ministry activities. Anyone who feels uncomfortable being photographed may inform a photographer, usher, or staff member at any time.

Data Retention

We retain captured media in accordance with our communications and archival practices. Opt-out records are maintained so that current and future usage aligns with your preference.

Policy Updates

This policy may be updated from time to time. The most current version will be available from the church office upon request and may be posted on our website.

Contact

Opt-Out submissions: autumn@redemptionhills.com
Questions or concerns: lisam@redemptionhills.com
Church office: Redemption Hills Church, Littleton, CO