

## Peace Church in Świdnica

### Accessibility card

#### Basic information

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#### Description

According to National Geographic it is a UNESCO World Heritage Site, the largest wooden sacral building in Europe, one of the seven new wonders of Poland. Church services have been held continuously since 1657. In the Baroque interior, it is also possible to listen to organ music and classical music concerts. The church, which has 27 entrances, stands on the Peace Square (Plac Pokoju) surrounded by a kilometre-long wall, where there are other monuments from the 17th and 18th centuries between the old trees (bell tower, guard house, rectory, cemetery). The Peace Square represent 300 years old buildings and old trees, the only rich Lutheran enclave in Poland. The sightseeing of the church takes about 40 minutes. Visiting the entire Peace Square takes about 1-2 hours.

#### Accessibility

##### Entrance

- ❖ There is one step at the main entrance.
- ❖ The entrance door is min. 80 cm wide.
- ❖ The threshold of the entrance door to the church is more than 2 cm high.
- ❖ There is a wheelchair access to the ticket office.



##### Interior premises

- ❖ All pathways in the church are min. 150 cm wide.
- ❖ The doors and passages are min. 80 cm wide.

- ❖ The surface of the pathways is solid and non-slippery – carpet.
- ❖ The thresholds / stairs on the paths are not more than 2 cm high, one step is at the altar.
- ❖ There are benches in the church where you can sit down during the tour.
- ❖ There is sufficient space in the church to move in a wheelchair or with a pram.
- ❖ The exhibits can be touched and approached from close distance.
- ❖ The exhibits are positioned so that they are well visible both from sitting or standing position.
- ❖ Audio information is available in various language versions as well as in a paper form.




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## Exterior premises

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- ❖ The church is surrounded by a cemetery where you can walk along marked trails. *Cemetery revitalization is under preparation.*
- ❖ The entrance to the outdoor area is wheelchair accessible and min. 80 cm wide.
- ❖ Outdoor trails are paved and min. 150 cm wide, they have a solid and flat surface (no defects).
- ❖ Outdoor terrain profile: Plain to slightly undulating terrain (with a slope of up to 6%), which does not significantly complicate the movement of people in a wheelchair or a pram.
- ❖ There are relaxing areas for sitting in the outdoor premises.




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## Accessible toilet

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- ❖ Wheelchair accessible toilet is available. It is located in the Bell House, right at the entrance gate of the square, where the UNESCO Promotion and Partnership Centre (UNESCO Promotion Centre) is located.
- ❖ Cabin entrance door is min. 80 cm wide and it opens outwards (from the cab).
- ❖ The cabin dimensions are min. 160 x 160 cm.

- ❖ Next to the toilet there is free space for the wheelchair (width min. 90 cm), which does not interfere with any equipment (waste bin, washbasin, baby changing unit, etc.).
- ❖ There are handrails on both sides of the toilet.
- ❖ A baby changing unit is not available.

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## Services and equipment

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- ❖ Wheelchair access to the souvenir shop (in the church) and gastronomic facilities available- (BAROCCAFE at Peace Square/Plac Pokoju).
- ❖ The church can be visited in the hours listed on the website, without prior agreement. The square and the surrounding area are open until dusk.
- ❖ Guide and registered support dogs are permitted entry.
- ❖ Touch models: a model of the entire Church Peace area is being prepared, which will allow better understanding of the place for blind people.
- ❖ Information material written in larger fonts (16 pts or more).
- ❖ There are no induction loops installed in the building.
- ❖ Special programs / information material for children available.
- ❖ Reserved parking spaces available. Despite the entry ban, people with disabilities can drive to the church entrance by car.

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