

## **Guidelines for resuming public, in-person worship (6.2.20)**

- Sunday Services will take place at 8:30am and 11am (Classic and Contemporary). Only the MMC (Multi-Ministry Center) will be utilized for the time being. Fire code occupancy is 276. It will be utilized to no more than 50% capacity. It is a larger room with flexible seating, and is easier to clean.
- *Please join the service you most often attended in the past to aid in the maintenance of safe social distancing occupancy.*
- One entrance will be used for entry and exit, **the South-side double glass door with the awning**. Do not use or enter any other doors. Doors will be propped open, and social distancing will be observed.
- Chairs from the Fellowship Hall (metal/ vinyl/ plastic) will be used instead of regular MMC cloth chairs for cleaning with bleach solution or wipes. Chairs will be cleaned before, between, and after the services. All books, pens, papers will be removed. *General guidelines for 6ft spacing are 3-4 chairs between groups (families can sit together) in each aisle and 1 vacant row behind and in front.*
- The cry-room and nursery will be closed for the time-being (“To Be Evaluated” in the days ahead), and atrium children’s activity bags will be put away. Mailboxes are not to be used or checked.
- Movement through the rest of the building will be restricted. Doors into the atrium from MMC, for restroom usage, will be marked for one-way use. Restrooms will be cleaned before and after the services.
- No physical greeting (Meet & Greet/ Pass the Peace) will be encouraged. No in-house coffee service.
- No passing of offering plate will be done. Baskets will be placed near entrances. Digital and alternate options are encouraged. Bulletins will be minimized as much as possible. If bulletins are used or desired, they will be left on sanitizer-station tables for individual pick-up.
- For now, we will not offer an in-service, Lord’s Supper option. This will be re-evaluated for the future.
- Masks will be *required* “out of the love for your neighbor” and anyone over the age of 2 will be asked to have and wear their own mask so that confidence can be built in the in-person worship experience. Additional cloth masks (thank you Laura Robinson) and paper masks will be available for handout for those that do not have them. Those that have health issues related to mask usage should partake of online service. Masks will be worn by professional clergy and volunteers. They will only be lowered for clarity by *singing leadership from stage or speaking leadership in service*.
- Wipe stations/ sanitizer will be posted near the entrances and wipes outside of bathrooms. Appropriate signage (per CDC guidelines) are posted.
- Ushers/ elders will help direct people to seating options and will dismiss after the service.
- A picture of the congregation will be taken each week for tracing purposes in the case of a localized outbreak (make sure you smile big under that mask).
- After the service, social distancing will be observed and maintained in the parking lot/ on grounds. Please no congregating in the building.