

Procedures and Guidelines to Safely Reopen the Church

These are the steps we are planning to take in order to care for our neighbor as we gather together again in the Lord's House. The church leadership plans to discuss, reassess, and potentially change our guidelines at the beginning of every month.

Before Arriving at the Church

- The Church building will be cleaned and disinfected.
- Hand sanitizer will be placed at various locations throughout the building.
- Signs will be posted reminding everyone to maintain at least six feet of safe distance.
- Assess your own health. If you are running a temperature or feel ill stay home. If you are in a high risk category you might also consider the option to stay home.
 - Online services will continue to be posted on Sunday afternoon.

At the Church

- We will refrain from shaking hands or bumping elbows or any such thing that would require us to break the 6 foot social distancing safety measure.
- The outside doors will be propped open to avoid frequent contact with door handles.
- In the sanctuary every other pew will be sectioned off to help keep proper distancing. Upon entering the church please sit in the closest unoccupied pew to the front. Remain in your seat, as you are able, until dismissed at the close of the service.
 - Do NOT plan to sit in your regular pew.
 - You are encouraged to use the bathroom at your home before service, however the restrooms will be open for your use if you have need. Please be considerate of social distancing measures as you make your way to the restrooms.
- The hymnals will be removed from the sanctuary for the time-being. In their place we will have paper print-outs for you to use during the service.
 - Please recycle them at the church or take them home with you after the service.
- When the service has concluded ushers will dismiss those in attendance one pew at a time starting with the pews closest to the door.
- We will not pass the plates for an offering during the service, instead there will be an offering plate in the narthex for you to deposit your offering as you leave the church.
- Face masks are to be worn.

The Lord's Supper

- At this time we will NOT be offering the common cup during the Lord's Supper.
- Each family or individual will approach the altar separately to receive communion.

Other Considerations

- Be sure to wash your hands and follow good hygiene practices after having been at the church building.
- We will continue to suspend Bible Study and church social gatherings through June.