



First Presbyterian Church of Lyons

Safety Plan

Accepted by Session: 3-1-2021

1. Signs will be placed throughout the sanctuary and church as a reminder of the protocols that need to be followed.
2. The use of an Approved EPA disinfectant cleaner and fogger will be used.
3. Upon entering the building, all people must
 - a. Always wear a facemask – masks will be provided if needed.
 - b. Have temperature taken.
 - c. Use hand sanitizer – Stations are located at each door as well as small bottles in the pews.
 - d. Answer the COVID – 19 Questions.
 - In the last 14 days, has anyone in your household had close contact with someone who has or is suspected to have COVID-19?
 - In the last 48 hours, have you or your children experienced any of the following symptoms:
 1. Fever over 100.4
 2. Headache
 3. Cough
 4. Sore Throat
 5. Shortness of breath
 6. Chills
 7. Muscle Aches
 8. Loss of taste or smell
 9. Gastrointestinal (nausea, vomiting or diarrhea)
 - e. Sign in with Date, Name and Phone number. Pens will be provided and disinfected after each use.
 - f. Continue to always maintain 6 feet distance between each other.
 - g. Family units may sit together if they maintain 6 feet from other people.

4. Four to Six worship assistants will be assigned each Sunday. They will be assigned to:
 - a. Open the doors for attendees.
 - b. Keep track of how many have entered so that we maintain the acceptable number of attendees in the sanctuary.
 - c. Ensure everyone entering has their:
 - Temperature taken.
 - Hands sanitized.
 - Completed the sign in sheet.
 - Answered COVID-19 questions.
 - d. Assist seating attendees in a socially distanced manner, keeping family units together.
 - e. Once the service has begun one worship assistant will spray all doors, pens etc. so that attendees may exit out either the main door or the ramp door at the end of the service after being dismissed by the worship assistant.
 - f. Dismiss attendees by row at the end of the service to ensure social distancing.
5. Attendance will be entered into the Servant Keeper program each week and maintained there if needed for tracing purposes.
6. All Hymnals, Bibles, pencils, paper, etc. will be removed from the sanctuary. All needed information will be projected on the screen in the front of the sanctuary.
7. There will be no handshakes, hugging or touching of other people.
8. Humming is allowed by the congregation but there will be no singing except by the preacher and occasional soloists who will be properly distanced at the front of the sanctuary.
9. There will be no bulletins or handouts.
10. Offering Plates will be provided at both entrances to the sanctuary. Offering will be disinfected at the end of the service or bagged and sealed for three days prior to recording of the offering.
11. Preaching from the pulpit can be done without a mask if they are at least 20 feet from the congregation.

12. Preachers may preach from home via Zoom or another acceptable avenue; a projector will be set up to live stream service on our screen.
13. The Organist will have a plexiglass barrier put around the organ for protection.
14. Food and/or Beverages may not be offered at the service (per NY State mandates).
15. We will continue to live-stream all services for those who are not comfortable coming into the sanctuary.
16. Adherence to hygiene and sanitation requirements from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Department of Health (DOH) and maintenance of cleaning logs on site that document date, time, and scope of cleaning will be maintained. The custodian will be responsible for maintaining a cleaning log, which will be kept in the church office.
17. Regular cleaning and disinfection will be done after the service, including high transit areas, such as restrooms and common areas.
18. This safety plan will be posted on the bulletin board outside the pastor's office.
19. If an attendee tests positive for COVID19, immediately notify the church's COVID -19 contact person Carol Heald 315-945-1825 or Jan Bailey 315-521-9699. They notify state and local health departments and cooperate with contact tracing efforts, including notification of potential contacts who had close contact with the person, while maintaining confidentiality as required by state and federal law and regulations.
20. A person who screens positive for COVID-19 symptoms WILL NOT be allowed to enter the gathering place and will be sent home with instructions to contact their healthcare provider for assessment and testing.