

General Procedures

- We ask that those with symptoms of COVID-19 or who have been in recent contact with someone has been tested for and diagnosed with COVID-19 refrain from corporate worship.
- Individuals who are age 65 or otherwise considered to have an underlying “high risk” health condition are encouraged to remain home and worship via livestream.
- Attendees are welcome to wear your own mask.
- Entrances and exits will be clearly marked off at opposite doorways. Please follow the signs.
- Please greet one another from a distance; however, we must refrain from physical contact with fellow worshipers.
- We will observe 6 feet of personal space except for those who are in close contact on a regular basis, e.g. members of the same household.
- Hand sanitizer will be available around the building, and attenders will be encouraged to use it.
- Cords and tables will be used to guide traffic, although the entire narthex will not be roped in half.
- Please consider very carefully how you will feel at church if there are more people than you expect or, for instance, if you see someone without a mask. We don’t want people to feel offended or at risk at church. We will hold no ill will towards those who remain home and livestream as in past weeks.

Inside The Church Nave (a.k.a. ‘Sanctuary’)

- Hymnals and pew Bibles should remain untouched. Hymns, liturgy, and psalms will be reprinted in the service folders.
- Service folders will be on seats, noticeably marking where we’d like individuals or families to be seated. In order to keep people appropriately spaced apart, visible markers / colored paper sheets will mark where members should NOT sit. We will use alternating pews for seating during the service.
- Please understand that you may not get to sit where you usually sit.
- Overflow will take place in the kitchen area, with clearly marked entrances and exits.
- Special care will be given to use disinfectant wipes to wipe down common surfaces each week; e.g. door handles used by attenders, light switches, bathroom fixtures, table surfaces, etc.
- At the end of our service, attenders will be dismissed from the back rows first, working our way forward, so as not to cross paths.
- We suspect members may feel it is easy to “bottle-neck” at doorways, so please avoid conversations in narrow spaces. Please greet one another from a distance, but continue moving those through the fellowship hall and into the parking lot, if at all possible. Pastor will wave goodbye from his office door.

Holy Communion Procedures

- Those who are setting up the elements for Holy Communion will wear a mask and

gloves before preparing the elements – and when storing the elements and communion ware after worship.

- Our 4 tables for Holy Communion will be limited to a maximum of 1 family each. We will invite by section to approach the sacrament. There's no rush, and no line needed.
- The pastor will commune by inviting communicants to take and eat / drink from a distance. He will speak the words from a distance.
- For the foreseeable future, we will offer wine only by individual cup, separating the cups so that each communicant will only come into contact with the cup he or she is taking.
- Communicants who prefer to commune privately will arrange with Pastor Bode to do so. Pastor Bode will follow the same masking and sanitizing protocols described above.

Bible Class and Sunday School

- Sunday school will not meet in person, therefore we have chosen to keep Bible study online. It will be shorter for the sake of those traveling a distance.
- The fellowship hall and Sunday school rooms will remain closed to discourage the use of play equipment. We are still planning how we will sanitize toys and other objects after use.