

June 22, 2020

Dear Church Family,

After 14 Sundays of not meeting together, we will begin in-church worship services again on June 28! That will be a wonderful day of rejoicing, but it will also be a very different day. We have all worked so hard to avoid contracting COVID-19, and we surely want to take all necessary precautions as we come back together.

If you have underlying health issues that might make COVID-19 especially dangerous for you, we URGE you to wear a mask for the services and be extra-cautious about social distancing. Also, if you are sick or have been exposed to COVID-19, we ask that you remain at home. This is for your well-being and the well-being of other church members.

This is what our first Sunday back will look like, and we ask for your understanding as we seek the best ways to safely resume in-church worship services. Some of these guidelines may change even after this first Sunday.

- There will be 3 worship services: 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00.
This will allow time between services to properly sanitize the sanctuary.
- There will be no Sunday School, children's activities or childcare.
- The services will be shorter than usual so that there will be less exposure time in a closed sanctuary.
- There will be no congregational singing, as this seems to be particularly dangerous for spreading germs in a worship gathering.
- Congregational size will be limited for each service with some worshipers in the sanctuary and some in the overflow room downstairs to allow proper social distancing. We are going to try alphabetically to balance out the size of the congregation in each of these services, going by the first letter of your last name.
 - 8:00 A-G
 - 9:30 H-N
 - 11:00 O-Z
- As you enter the sanctuary, please go straight to your seat and be seated.
- We will be seated in alternate rows for social distancing.
- Families please sit together, but practice social distancing from other church members.
- We will exit the sanctuary by rows, beginning with the back rows, with no visiting, please, until you are completely off the church steps.

So very different!!! However, our prayer is that by following these guidelines we will be able to worship together safely and meaningfully. We sincerely ask for your prayers as we make plans to gather once again in our sanctuary to worship our Father.

Sincerely,

Ken Bush

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