**Guidelines for Worship During COVID-19**

Due to COVID-19, we have designated certain guidelines for indoor worship. These guidelines have been put in place to ensure that we are doing what we can to protect each other’s health and safety in the church.

We understand that there are still many members of the congregation who are still not ready to venture back into the worship space, despite the guidelines we put into place. It is okay to not be ready. As a church, our challenge is to accommodate each member of the congregation in a kind and generous fashion. We ask that you please come with an open mind, as worship will feel different. With that said, here are the guidelines that must be followed as we open the church building for worship.

As of June 13, 2021, **FULLY VACCINATED individuals** may enter the building and sing without a mask.

As of July 12, 2021, **RESERVATIONS** are **no longer** required for worship as pews have been realigned to 3’ social distancing, thereby increasing capacity.

As of September 12, 2021, **8:30am** Worship is now in-person with **everyone fully masked**, regardless of vaccination status. This will allow a safe environment for those who want to worship in person but are not comfortable with unmasked people.

**Some general notes:**

Symptoms of COVID-19? Do not enter the church building.

Exposed to COVID-19? Do not enter the church building.

**Before going to church:**

Masks are required at all times in the church building for individuals that are not fully vaccinated.

Please bring items from home to occupy children.

**Entering the building:**

Your temperature will be taken as you enter the building.

 **8:30 Worship** - Masks MUST be properly worn by all worshippers, covering the mouth and nose.

 **10:30 Worship** - Masks MUST be properly worn by those not fully vaccinated, covering the mouth and nose.

**Once you are seated:**

Singing will only be allowed by individuals who are fully vaccinated.

Please remain in your seat, which includes communion.

Restrooms are available, one person at a time. Disinfectant wipes are available to wipe any surfaces in the restroom.

**After worship:**

Take the bulletin and remains of the pre-packaged Communion (even if you have not used it) with you.

Offerings may be left in the plate in the Narthex, or continue to use the method you normally use.

Please maintain 3’ social distancing with fellow worshipers.

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