

In line with current provincial requirements, and for the safety of everyone using our building, these protocols are to be followed during any visit to or usage of the building. We will make adjustments as situations and information change.

According to government guidelines and distancing requirements, our worship assemblies will involve a maximum of 50 people. **You will be required to preregister to be part of the service. Earlier in the week, an email will be sent from the church office. It will include a link for registering for the upcoming Sunday service. To allow time for appropriate preparations, registration will need to be completed by end of day on Wednesday of each week.**

Once registered, you will receive an email that confirms your registration. If the registration spots are full, you will see the notice, "Event Full". In that case, please register in the event called "Waiting List". Registering in the waiting list **DOES NOT** mean you are part of the Sunday morning for that week. But it does provide planners with an accurate count on how many people are interested in attending services, so that we can make any necessary adjustments for upcoming weeks (seating changes, additional services, etc).

When services resume, they will be live-streamed on Facebook, providing those at home the opportunity to participate and connect online.

Be mindful that everyone has different personal comfort levels with COVID guidelines. Use of masks and social distancing show respect and support for the ones around us.

## **COVID-19 Requirements for Sunday Morning Service**

### **Before Arriving:**

- Pre-registration is required. See paragraph above.
- Self-screen for COVID-19 symptoms, and worship online if you're not feeling well.
- On Sunday morning, please ask yourself and all registered members of your household the following questions. **If anyone answers "yes" to any of these questions, all members should participate from home that day.**
  - *Have you had a fever?*
  - *Do you have new or worsening respiratory symptoms not attributable to seasonal or environmental allergies (i.e. cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, sore throat, runny nose)?*
  - *Do you have new onset atypical symptoms including chills, aches and pains, headache?*
  - *In the last 14 days, have you visited a province, community, or facility designated as an area of elevated activity for COVID-19?*
- Worship online if you have been knowingly exposed to COVID-19.
- Worship online if you are immune-compromised or at increased risk for severe illness.
- Allow plenty of time to arrive for service and to be seated. This will help mitigate large numbers of people arriving at the same time.

### **Upon Arriving:**

- Practice social distancing in the parking lot, through doorways, and in the lobby and auditorium.
- Bring a mask with you, and put it on before entering the building. **Masks must be worn by everyone in the building at all times.**
- Enter the building only at the southwest door.
- Sanitize hands upon entry.
- Please note: The coat rack area will be unavailable for use. Plan to keep all your personal items with you.
- A host will be at the door to check you in.
- Communion, labeled for your household, will be in a container on the table in the hallway. Please pick up the container on your way to your seat.

## Seating:

- Follow the directional arrows to the auditorium.
- Seating will be assigned so distancing requirements can be maintained and space used efficiently.
- As you enter the auditorium, a host will direct you to your seats. Please follow directional flow to arrive at your seats. Your family name will be on your assigned seats. Please place the name card under your seat when you arrive at your seats.
- We ask that you remain in your seats, with masks on, during the entire service.

## Worship Experience:

- Communion supplies will be in your small container. Peel the thin plastic film from the top to access the wafer. Then break the plastic tab and pull back to access the juice.
- At the end of the communion service, please put your used supplies in the container with the lid on. You will leave on the table by the door on your way out.
- Offerings will continue as we have been doing online. E-transfer, mailed cheques, and online giving are available. A reminder of these details will be on the PowerPoint screen.

## Departure:

- Dismissal of gatherings will be done in a way that supports physical distancing. A leader from the front will dismiss rows front to back, section by section. **Please remained seated until the row ahead of you has passed through the doorway.**
- Practice social distancing in the rows, aisles, lobbies, and doorways as you exit.
- Exit the auditorium through the front right door and go directly outside through the east outer door. **Do not stop in the foyer to visit.**
- Sanitize your hands on the way out.
- Once you are outside the building, please wear your mask and maintain 2m distance for as much visiting as you desire. :-)

## Other Important Information:

- Only the large washrooms will be available. Practice social distancing in the rows, aisles, and doorways if you need to make your way back to the washroom.
- Access will be limited to some areas (Foyer, AV area, office, classrooms, small bathrooms, kitchen, fireside room) to help to reduce exposure and minimize the cleaning required.
- Nursery will be open only for nursing moms or parents with infants. Please follow directions in the nursery for cleaning when you are finished in that room.
- Initially, there will be no classes for children, and we ask parents to keep their children with them at all times.

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