

GUIDELINES FOR ATTENDING WORSHIP SERVICES IN THE SANCTUARY

We are excited to be meeting again at the church building. In order for us to do this safely the Session has put together (with the help of Transylvania Presbytery) guidelines to help us in this transition. We will only be holding one service at 10:45 a.m. This service will be held “in person” as well as broadcast on Facebook Live.

We plan to gradually add other in-person services (Wednesday Bible Study, Sunday School, etc.) as well as start up the youth ministry program as time and circumstances allow us to do so. In the meantime we will continue with the Zoom Meetings for Wednesday nights.

These are trying times for all of us and emotions and opinions are at an all-time high but as a church, we must keep our focus on loving God, loving others and serving both. We ask that you follow these guidelines and continue to keep a spirit of unity and togetherness. We all need to be patient with each other as we move forward together toward normalcy.

BEFORE HEADING TO THE CHURCH BUILDING FOR SERVICE

- Take your temperature at home. If you have a fever of 100.5 or greater please stay home.
- If you have any of the following other symptoms please stay home.
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- Cough
- Sneezing
- Shortness of breath
- If you have had contact with any person who tested positive for Covid-19 or work at a place some one has tested positive for Covid-19 we encourage you to stay home.
- If you are sick or not feeling well in any way, please stay home.

ENTERING THE BUILDING

- We strongly encourage everyone to wear a mask. We will provide disposable masks.
- Upon entering the sanctuary you will see a table set-up where you can place your offering and pick up a bulletin.
- We encourage you to not shake hands and do non-contact greetings instead. Maintain 6 ft between you and others.
- Ushers will be wearing masks and gloves.

SEATING ARRANGEMENTS

- We encourage one pew between family groups and individuals to help practice social distancing.

RESTROOM FACILITIES

- We will limit occupancy to 1 person in the bathroom at a time.
- Please wash hands thoroughly before leaving the restroom.

DURING THE SERVICE

- The liturgist and pastor will not need to wear a mask while speaking.
- We will not be singing and the choir will not sing. We will hum the Gloria Patri and Doxology.

DISMISSAL AT THE END OF SERVICE

- At the end of service we will dismiss everyone a row at a time starting from the back row to help practice social distancing.
- Everyone will exit through the rear doors.

EXITING THE BUILDING

- We encourage you to exit the building upon dismissal.
- Feel free to talk with others outside after service but remember to practice social distancing.

A FEW MORE THINGS TO NOTE

- We will make sure that the facility will be cleaned before and after each service. We will be sanitizing every touchable surface.

The service will be streamed live on Facebook Live for others to view from home. This means we will have a camera set up for recording in the sanctuary.