

# Sunday Services

We believe that we are in a position to provide an effective combination of in-person and online options for worship services, so that our entire church can be served effectively while following CDC and governmental recommendations for church gatherings.

On August 16, 2020, we will begin to offer an in-person service with the following precautions in place:

## **Continue Excellent Online Service Options**

- For those who cannot, should not, or choose not to attend in-person, we will continue to provide an excellent pre-recorded service or a live-stream of the in-person service.

## **Service Times and Plans**

- We will meet at 10:00am in a single service.
- Registration will be required and capped at 130 families, including staff and volunteers.
- Services will run no more than one hour.
- Services will include prayer, sermon, and singing.
- Songs will be at the end, so that people can choose to leave if they so desire.

## **Discovery Land**

- Initially, Discovery Land children's ministry will not be open.

## **Free High-Risk Individuals from Serving**

- All ministry teams will free high-risk individuals from any commitments and restructure the teams or the ministries to function either without their participation or in such a way that they can serve virtually.

## **Physical Distancing**

- We will require a seven-foot minimum<sup>1</sup> distance between all families.
- Floors will be marked with seven foot spacing wherever people may need to line up, including:

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<sup>1</sup> Health experts have typically used six feet as the minimum distance. However, out of an abundance of caution, both state and federal guidelines for religious services use seven feet.

- Auditorium Entry
  - Restrooms
- People will sit in every third row, with at least four chairs, or seven feet, between families.
- Everyone will enter through and exit through the main lobby doors, except in an evacuation.
- All furniture will be removed from the lobby.

**Face Coverings**

- Cloth face coverings will be required.

**Health Screening**

- High-risk individuals and anyone who is sick should worship online.
  - Please see [this reference document](#) to determine whether you are in the high-risk category.
- The church will request that everyone answer the following questions to themselves each time they attend. Anyone who answers yes to one of the following questions should not attend.
  - Have you been diagnosed with COVID-19 and are not fully recovered per CDC guidelines?
  - Have you been exposed to anyone who has been positively diagnosed with COVID-19?
  - Are you displaying symptoms such as fever or chills, dry cough, shortness of breath, fatigue or body aches?
  - Have you experienced any cold or flu-like symptoms in the last 48 hours that cannot be attributed to an existing health condition?
  - Have you traveled internationally or to a high-risk area of the US in the last 14 days?

**“Touchless” Experience**

- All doors will be propped open or opened by greeters.
- Greeters will offer enthusiastic smiles and waves, but not shake hands or hug.
- We will collect the offering electronically and in boxes at the doors to the auditorium.
- We will not use the ministry mic.
- We will not distribute handouts.
- Bookstore and coffee bar will not be open.
- Water fountains will be closed.

**Restrooms**

- Restroom access will be limited to allow for physical distancing.
  - The main lobby restrooms will be limited to 5 households for the women's restroom and 2 households for the men's restroom.
  - The South Lobby restrooms will be limited to 2 households for both the men's and women's restrooms.

**Cleaning and Hygiene**

- Hand sanitizer will be available at each set of auditorium doors as well as throughout the lobby..
- Greeters will have sanitizing wipes available to disinfect any surfaces that get touched.
- All hard surfaces will be thoroughly cleaned before and after any service.