

Phase 2 of Gathering Again

What to Expect

Timing

- Starting Sunday, July 5.
- We do not know how long this phase will last, and we will continue to take things week-by-week.
- Registration will continue to be required and will be available each week on Wednesday.

Services

Online Service

- Will continue as-is, making it available on the website on Sunday morning.
- The service will be a recording of the first service. We will continue to post by 11:30 AM for the time being.

Morning Indoor Services

- We will be moving the 9 AM and 11 AM services indoors.
- The service will remain abbreviated, at 45 minutes with scaled back worship, like what we have been providing outdoors.
- The 9 AM service will be a mask-required service masks will be required at all times indoors for anyone 6 years old and up. We will have a few masks available for those who forget to bring one but ask that you bring your own mask(s).
- The 11 AM service will be a mask-encouraged service per the CDC recommendations for communities of faith
- We will block off every other pew, front to back, and ask people to socially distance in available pews as households.
- Services will still require registration and will be capped at 150 people per service. This is about 25% of the auditorium capacity. We will not be seating in the balcony.

Evening Outdoor Service

- We will continue with the 6 PM evening service as-is. Registration will still be required.
- We strongly encourage people to bring golf umbrellas and water, and we will also have some umbrellas available as well.
- We will continue to provide the lyric sheets online on Fridays and have hard copies available.
- Similar to the current Outdoor plan, attendees should check the website an hour before the service to be sure that inclement weather has not cancelled the service.
- Should the outdoor service be cancelled due to inclement weather, attendees of the 6 PM service are welcome to watch the recorded service online.

Registration

- Advance registration will still be required for all in-person services to limit capacities.
- Registration will be available on Wednesdays before the service on the front page of our website. For those with limited Internet or computer access, you may call the church office and we can assist you.



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Indoor Services Arrival & Exit

- We ask that those arriving for the indoor services enter through the main entrance doors only (East side of the building).
- We will have main building doors and auditorium doors propped open so that no one needs to come into contact with any entry doors.
- We ask that those arriving for the indoor services proceed directly to the auditorium and be seated.
- Seating volunteers will be available to help seat from the front to back in the available rows.
- At the conclusion of the service, we will open all doors for exiting and ask that everyone allows for proper distancing upon exiting.
- Upon exiting the auditorium, we ask that you proceed directly to the parking lot. You are welcome to socialize and visit after the service, but we ask that you do so outside.

Kids

- There will not be childcare/children's ministries available at this time, kids will still remain with parents during the service.
- We will continue to provide the activity bags for kids on-site.
- Families of children 5 years and under are welcome to bring dry snacks for their kids.
- We would love to have families with preschoolers/babies in the auditorium but will also stream the service in the foyer for those who are more comfortable with a bit more room to move around.

Giving

• We will not pass the offering plate but will continue to offer touchless offering, utilizing the offering boxes on stands and the response card boxes at the back of the auditorium.

Bathrooms/Cleaning

- Will continue to ask that people try to use the restroom before they arrive but will make the main men's and women's restrooms off of the foyer available.
- We will be assembling a cleaning team to disinfect the hard surfaces of the pews, bathroom surfaces, door handles etc. between services.

Additional Measures

- Musicians and staff who are on stage will not be required to wear a mask so long as they are on the stage.
- We will not offer bulletins for the first few weeks of this phase.
- We will remove the hymnals and Bibles from the pews during this next phase.
- We will not be offering coffee for the time being.