

First Presbyterian Church of Salem, Ohio – Sunday, October 4, 2020

Guidelines for Opening the Church for In-House Worship

Prior to Coming to Church:

- If you are experiencing any symptoms such as chills, new onset cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea, do not come to church.
- Families with children should bring their own quiet time bags.
- If desired, bring your own printed bulletin or an electronic device.

Arriving:

- Plan to arrive no earlier than 10:15.
- Enter only through the West door (Kitchen) and enter Sanctuary through Sound Room hallway.
- Wearing of masks is required.
- Temperatures will be taken. If greater than 100.7, will not be allowed into the building
- Maintain social distancing at all times. (6 feet apart)
- No Coffee Hour
- No Nursery
- No Sunday School
- Go directly to Sanctuary upon arriving
- Hand Sanitizer available at entrances, please use as you enter.
- Do not go into restricted areas.
- Take coats with you to your seat.

Seating:

- Ushers will assist with seating and answer questions.
- Social Distancing will be maintained.
- Families may sit together.
- Sit in marked locations only.
- Overflow seating available in Fellowship Hall.
- Bulletin available on personal electronic device or in paper form upon arrival.
- Balcony will be closed except for TV Ministry.

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During Worship:

- Wear masks. (Required)
- Remain in pew/seat the entire worship service (except for emergencies).
- No singing. May provide recorded hymns, humming is allowed.
- No choir - special music offerings each Sunday.
- Organist will play.
- Children will not go forward for Children's Time.
- No offering will be received in pews. Baskets will be placed at the entrances/exits.
- Will have liturgist.
- No Passing of the Peace, hugging or hand shaking.
- Hymnals, Bibles, Pew Pads, and Pew Cushions have been removed. *Please bring your own seat cushion, if needed.*
- Scriptures and Hymns will be printed in the bulletin.
- Minutes for Mission or announcements by members will be made from the pews.

Dismissal:

- Ushers will dismiss congregation - maintaining Social Distancing.
- Take printed bulletin with you.
- Exit through Kitchen door. No loitering in the parking lot.
- Use Hand Sanitizer.

General:

- **Restrooms will be accessible.** Use of restroom in Narthex encouraged, but others will be accessible if needed. See posted signs.
- Maintain social distancing at all times.
- Use of hand wipes and sanitizer required.
- Close toilet lid before flushing.
- Wash hands thoroughly.
- Clean toilet handle and door handle with provided cloth wipe and dispose in waste basket upon leaving the restroom.