

July 21, 2021

An important Update about our Congregation's Ministries

Please be aware that throughout the pandemic, the Pastors, staff and Council have worked diligently to follow safety protocols at all times to keep our members, visitors and staff as safe as possible.

At last night's Council Meeting, Council approved singing during our in person services. Please note that **worshippers will be required to wear masks while singing.** They also approved a soloist to lead us in song.

As a recap for our in person services:

- **WORSHIP IN THE TENT:** Worship services will be held each Sunday at 8:45 am and 10:15 am, (both using the Spirit Worship liturgy for that week).
- **FELLOWSHIP:** Bottled water will be available for fellowship time between services and after the 10:15 worship service.
- **BRING CHAIRS:** Worshippers are encouraged to bring their own folding chairs. Some folding chairs will be available for visitors or those who do not bring chairs.
- **MASKS?** Worshippers will be asked to follow CDC guidelines for outdoor activities; Vaccinated persons may choose either to mask or unmask. Unvaccinated persons must mask.
- **SOCIAL DISTANCING:** Social distancing will be encouraged for the safety of all; especially those with compromised immune systems or those unable to be vaccinated.
- **RESTROOMS:** Church restrooms will be available and trash cans will be provided.
- **BULLETINS:** The worship service will be in bulletin form since we have limited access to technology outdoors. Holy Happenings will be provided each Sunday for announcements.
- **SPOKEN LITURGY:** Members will be encouraged to share in the spoken responses.
- **SINGING:** We will return to congregational song while wearing masks. Worshippers are asked to bring their own masks. Masks will be available for those who do not bring their own.
- **PRE-PACKAGED BREAD/GRAPE JUICE:** Holy Communion will be offered using prepackaged communion element distributed in a safe, sanitary way to each worshipper. Holy Communion will only be distributed by vaccinated persons.
- **SERVICE LENGTH:** Worship services will be about 45 minutes in length and will be held rain or shine.

We will be revisiting these guidelines regularly notifying the congregation as protocols change.

Worship will continue to be offered on Zoom throughout the summer.

- The current schedule will be continued; Family service at 9:00 am and the Spirit Service at 10:00 am. The Zoom connection will remain the same at 511 504 8051

We hope you will join us for worship this summer either online or in person and are grateful for your faithful support and seek your patience and flexibility throughout this process.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact Pastor Ric or Mark Stanziola.