

Opening Up

As we prepare to resume our worship together, we do so knowing that it will not be the same as it was in the beginning of the year. Things have been different the past two months and will be different for a period of time yet to come. With the opening of the Sanctuary for worship please remember that we must follow the recommendation of the CDC for the safety of all that attend. If you have underlying health issues or are not comfortable being in groups right now, then we urge you to continue to join us online, as we will continue to use those outlets. The seating in the Sanctuary will be spaced out to keep social distancing, some rows of pews will be blocked off, there will be someone to help direct those attending service.

Everyone will enter and exit the Sanctuary from the main entrance (foyer) only, where someone will open the door for you. You will be offered a mask if you do not have one, again as we are trying to follow the CDC guidelines for group gatherings. Hand sanitizer will be readily available, and the Sanctuary will be sanitized before and after the service. Your assistance may be needed after service with the cleaning. We thank you in advance.

We will not start Sunday School back immediately due to the fact it is not recommended we gather in small areas such as the classrooms. The Sunday evening service will continue to be aired online for the youth for the time being, as will Wednesday night study. As things progress the Wed. night study will be reevaluated each week for a couple more weeks. There are offering boxes located in the foyer to drop your tithes and offerings in to help be touchless. You may continue to mail your tithes and offerings if you so please.

I know that this is not how some would like it, but it is not a situation any of us have experience with and we will learn as we go. We ask that you be considerate of others and conscious of others well-being, as scripture instructs us to put other before ourselves. Also have understanding that we must (as Mrs. Runell said to me) learn how to walk again. None of us have all the answers to all the questions, but we will work through this one day at a time, one step at a time. Learning how to walk before we run.

We do not fear this virus, we only strive to keep God's people safe. You are asked to please try and understand this and not be critical. We are all brothers and sisters trying to get through an uncertain and confusing time. We will get through this together as the body of Christ. All of you are loved and our greatest desire is to keep you healthy and well.

God bless