



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: What guidelines and limitations do we have to observe?

A: We will be following all state and CDC guidelines. In addition we must observe the requirements from the Virginia Conference of the UMC that are contained in the "Technical Assist Manual" provided to all United Methodist Churches.

Q: Why do you need my contact information?

A: We are required by the denomination to gather the name and phone number for everyone who enters the building for contact tracing purposes. Any other info obtained(email, address, etc) will be used to update the church database.

Q: Do my children have to wear a mask?

A: All children ages 2 and up are required to wear a mask. Children under the age of 2 who should not wear a mask are welcome to register for a space in the nursery. This is done through RSVP's and space is LIMITED.

Q: I'm in a "High-Risk" group, should I attend In-Person Worship?

A: If you are in a "High-Risk" group as defined by your healthcare provider, the CDC or WHO we ask that you continue to participate in virtual services. If you would like to have communion delivered, please contact the church office (757.481.5016)

Q: Will there still be a "Virtual Service" option?

A: Yes! We will continue streaming our services live on Facebook.

Q: Will the church be open for other activities now?

A: Yes, activities and groups may meet in the church and must meet the same requirements that are required for in-person worship. They must be approved and scheduled.

Q: Why do I need to RSVP?

A: We are under strict occupancy guidelines. To be able to stay within these guidelines, we need to know how many adults and children will be attending.



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Q: Why is there only one entrance to the building for worship?

A: We have the responsibility to take care of one another. We want to avoid anyone who may be feeling ill from entering the building without our knowledge.

Q: Will restrooms be available?

A: Yes, restrooms will be available in a socially distanced format. Please observe occupancy signs and do not use stalls that are taped off.

Q: Will I be able to attend if I do not RSVP?

A: If occupancy allows, you'll be permitted entrance. We cannot guarantee that we can accommodate your family if you do not RSVP due to occupancy limits.

Q: How will communion work?

A: We are not permitted to share Holy Communion at our indoor worship services. The Communion elements will be "consecrated" and will be available as you depart to be shared in your car or home. Consecrated elements may be delivered to others per their request. For a limited time the Bishop has now permitted us to share Holy Communion virtually during our streaming service.

Q: Will there be Sunday School?

A: No, and we will be providing Children's Church during the 11:00 am service.

Q: What will the service look like?

A: Our in-person worship service will be blended, incorporating elements of both Traditional and Modern Worship.

Q: How long will service last?

A: The service will last 30 to 40 minutes as per our guidelines regarding safety.