

Lifting of Covid-19 Restrictions
State Street United Methodist Church
Effective July 1, 2021

State Street United Methodist Church currently has restrictions in place designed to provide a safe environment for all persons within the church building by requiring that masks be worn by persons who have not been fully vaccinated against the Covid-19 and requiring social distancing by all.

Substantial progress has been made in limiting the threat and devastating effects of Covid-19 to the point that the Commonwealth of Virginia is lifting the State requirements regarding masks and social distancing effective July 1, 2021.

The Holston Conference of the United Methodist Church has lifted its restrictions, giving local churches the authority to provide policies for its own church facilities consistent with requirements and recommendations of governmental authorities and the CDC.

Upon consideration of the foregoing, and the fact that there has not been a break-out of Covid-19 that has been related to activities at the church, the Church Council of State Street United Methodist Church adopts the following policy to be effective at 12:01 AM on July 1, 2021:

1. The prior restrictions requiring masks and social distancing in response to the Covid-19 pandemic are lifted.
2. The church recognizes that there are persons in our midst that are not yet vaccinated, have health issues and/or are in close contact with family or other persons who may have compromised immune systems and that it may be prudent for those persons to continue to take precautionary measures. Accordingly, all persons are welcome and encouraged to make their own judgments relating to wearing a mask and practicing social distancing and those persons should feel free to take such precautionary measures as they feel appropriate for their own circumstances.