

Responses to Grace Episcopal Church Survey

Part 1: May 17, 2020

Question 1 – Have you participated in our online worship services?

There were 37 responses (to date – 5/22/20). 35 people had participated, 2 had not participated.

Question 2 – If you have not participated, why not?

Only two had not. One did not have internet access and one was participating in worship activities in the suburbs.

Question 3 – What do you miss most about our inability to worship in person?

The largest response was the sacrament – 43%, followed by community – 35%, and just being in worship together – 14%. “Other” responses were music and just everything!

Question 4 – Is there something you have enjoyed in online worship?

The largest response to this question was seeing everyone, having everyone visible at once – 35%. Other, responses were the community, closeness & connection, praying together, being at home, the effort Gloria is putting into this and her sermons.

Question 5 - As we go forward, what would make online worship more meaningful for you?

There were many different answers to this. The strongest answer was more and better transmission of music. A few people were missing the Eucharist & Communion; several had issues with technology and muting; a couple of people suggested having people in the congregation express thoughts on how they were doing and what they were doing during quarantine, i.e. volunteering or offering Mission Moments. Several people commented that they appreciated the effort and that everyone was doing the best they can. One suggestion was that this was a great opportunity to worship for travelers, former parishioners and shut-ins.