

Dudley Congregational Church Reopening Plan

We see returning to public worship as a process that must occur in phases to insure the safety of all involved. At all times we will err on the side of doing everything we can to insure the safety of our parishioners.

Phase 1 beginning June 14

Worship Plan

During Phase 1 it is our intent to provide worship in the sanctuary with the same experience we are providing on our YouTube PJs Puppets Etc.

Should I attend?

If you are over 65 or have a compromised immune system it is probably safer if you do not attend during Phase 1.

Anyone who has been exposed to Covid 19 or has flu like symptoms may not attend and should self quarantine for 14 days (please see the CDC guidelines)

What is being done to make worship safer?

1. We will not have a social gathering after church but will continue with our Zoom Coffee Hour. It is our plan to start Zoom coffee hour later to give all a chance to get home and participate.
2. The elevator will not be in service during Phase 1.
3. There will be no nursery care during Phase 1.
4. We will limit service attendance to maximum of 75
5. There will be no public singing.
6. There will be no communion.
7. There will be no bulletins
8. Children will remain with their parents during the service
9. Hymnals and bibles will be removed from the pews. If you wish to have a bible please bring your own.
10. Each week between services the sanctuary and areas of the church utilized will be cleaned and disinfected following CDC guidelines.

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What will I do differently?

1. All participants and parishioners must wear masks. Please place your mask on prior to exiting your vehicle and keep it on until you return to your vehicle (please bring your own yet we will have a small supply)
2. All participants and parishioners must maintain appropriate social distance while entering, exiting and during the service.
3. You will enter and exit through the Narthex
4. Ushers will guide parishioner to their seats to help insure social distancing.
5. You will be directed when you may leave your pew to insure social distancing.
6. Parishioners may verbally join in prayers but can not remove their mask.
7. Collection will be through boxes at both entrances
8. Bathrooms will be accessible with appropriate hand cleaning supplies.
9. Hand sanitizer will be available at both entrances to the sanctuary
10. Activity bags will be available for children that have been safely packaged and should be taken home by the family.

Cleaning protocol

1. Will wait a minimum of 24 hours (per CDC recommendation).
2. All carpeted areas will be vacuumed.
3. All pew backs and arm rests will be wiped down and sanitized.
4. All bathrooms will be cleaned and sanitized
5. All commonly touched surfaces will be cleaned and sanitized
6. All sound equipment will be cleaned and sanitized.