



Outer Banks Presbyterian Church

(Session approved on August 4, 2020)

The church's Covid-19 Task Force met on Monday, August 3, 2020 to evaluate the outdoor worship service of July 26, 2020, as requested by the Session, and to make further recommendations to the Session prior to August 16, 2020 for worship as the Covid-19 Virus Pandemic continues. Members of the Buildings & Grounds Committee, Winkey Roberts and Tom Williamson, also attended at the invitation of the task force.

The task force recommends to the Session that:

1. The Worship Services of August 16 and August 23, 2020 be held outside at 6:00 p.m. each Sunday, weather permitting. During these services, worshippers would bring their lawn chairs and place them at flagged socially distanced locations. Some church provided-seating would be available for those not bringing chairs. Masks would be required. Worshippers could also park their cars near the worship services and would be encouraged to stay in their parked cars. Windows would be lowered so as to hear the services. The Buildings & Grounds Committee volunteers to coordinate parking along the streets, around the septic tank fill area, and other locations conducive to parking within view of the service to be held on the east lawn of the church. Social distancing and wearing masks would be required if worshippers left their vehicles. Worship Moderator Nonie Booth would be authorized to purchase vests for the parking attendants. Pre-registration for these Worship Services would be required online or by calling the church office, during which time worshippers would be asked if they will sit in chairs on the church lawn or remain in their parked cars. Pre-registration is being done as a precaution in the event anyone gets the Covid-19 virus while at the church and the church needs to contact trace those attending.
2. The Session supports a plan to simplify the process of live-streaming and recording worship services and efforts be exerted to prevent errors that have occurred in the past, and that the processes be returned to the methods used prior to the Pandemic. This plan will help address technological issues that have resulted in some delays in the worship services starting at their advertised times.