

BEING CHURCH TOGETHER

Given the most recent guidance from health officers of Washington state on COVID-19 safety, we are asking EVERYONE who attends in-person worship on Sunday mornings to please wear a mask inside the church building.

The statement shared by the Pierce County Health Department says: “Health officers have joined together to pass on their best public health advice to protect you, your family, and our communities. We recommend all residents wear facial coverings when in indoor public settings where the vaccination status of those around you is unknown. This step will help reduce the risk of COVID-19 to the public, help stem the increase in COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations in many parts of the state and decrease the spread of the highly contagious Delta variant. Vaccinations are our best defense against COVID-19 and are safe, effective, and readily available for everyone age 12 and over. Please get yours immediately if you are not already vaccinated.”

As we have done from the beginning of the COVID-19 outbreak, we will continue to focus our efforts on the well-being of all people, with special consideration for the most vulnerable among us. And, we will continue to pay close attention to the guidance given by state and national health officers.

Worshippers will still be able to sit together and to sing and participate in all the spoken parts of our Sunday in-person services, and we will continue to share communion in a safe manner. Our worship leaders are all fully vaccinated, and they will remove their masks when they speak or sing publicly.

As we make this journey together, we will go month-by-month and give you updates during the last week of each month on what to expect when you come to worship or other events at St. Mark's.

Thank you for being church together in this time when God's love is supporting us and God's grace is being poured out in generous ways.