# Youth Ministry In-Person Safety Guidelines & Procedures St. Luke's Episcopal Church

## **Health Screening**

- Temperature checks will be required on arrival for employees, volunteers, and participants.
- Any employee, volunteer, or participant who has any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19 will not be allowed to help or participate with an event: Cough Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing Chills Repeated shaking with chills Muscle pain Headache Sore throat Loss of taste or smell Diarrhea Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit Known close contact with a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19
- Employees, volunteers, or participants with the new or worsening signs or symptoms listed above will not be allowed to return to attending events until all three of the following criteria are met: At least 3 days (72 hours) have passed since recovery (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications); and the individual has improvement in respiratory symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and a negative COVID-19 test or a medical professional's note clearing the individual for return based on an alternative diagnosis.

## **Stay Home Policy**

- Communicate to parents the importance of staying home if anyone in their household is sick
- Communicate to staff and volunteers the importance of being vigilant for symptoms and staying in touch with the Director of Youth Ministries if or when they start to feel sick.
- Anyone who comes to a youth ministry event sick or becomes sick while at the event will be sent home as soon as possible.
- Sick staff, volunteers or participants will not be allowed to return to youth ministry events until they have met the criteria to discontinue home isolation listed in the section above.

### **Social Distancing**

To help with social distancing, Youth Ministries will adhere to these policies during all events in Phase 2b. These restrictions may be lifted in Phase 3:

• All staff, volunteers and participants will be required to wear masks and follow social-distancing protocol. (i.e. staying 6ft apart of anyone outside their own family group)

- All games and activities will be done with social distancing in mind as well as in small cohorts.
- If weather permits, Wednesday programming will take place in the front lawn.
  - The Director of Youth Ministries will reassess this plan after October 28th.
- Participants will be encouraged to bring their own lawn chairs or blankets
  - Staff and volunteers will assist in participants finding space that is 6ft apart from others.
- For those who are not ready to return in-person, content from Wednesdays will be available on Facebook and/or Instagram.

### **Sanitation**

- Any and all materials used during youth programming will either be one time use (cup, paper, etc.) or will be sanitized before and after use.
  - For example, if a ball is used for a game within a small group of students, every participant must sanitize their hands before and after the game. The ball would also be sanitized before and after.
- Any surfaces, tables, chairs, reusable handouts, will be sanitized before and after programming.