

# Returning to In-Person Service at Prince of Peace

Responses as of August 27, 2020 at 9:00am

59 responses

Which type of in-person services are you interested in attending? (check all that apply)

- In-person outdoors
- In-person indoors

Inside = 13  
Outside = 13  
Both = 28  
No answer = 5

How many people in your family "pod" would attend service in-person if it was OUTSIDE?

104

How many people in your family "pod" would attend service in-person if it was INSIDE?

91

Are there individuals in your family "pod" who would not be comfortable attending in-person OUTDOORS?

- Yes
- No
- Not sure/undecided

Yes = 9  
No = 33  
Not sure/undecided = 12  
no answer = 5

Are there individuals in your family "pod" who would not be comfortable attending in-person INDOORS?

- Yes
- No
- Not sure/undecided

Yes = 16  
No = 29  
Not sure/undecided = 10  
no answer = 4

**What age groups apply to family members in your "pod"? (check all that apply)**

- under age 19
- 20-29
- 30-39
- 40-49
- 50-59
- 60-69
- 70+

under age 19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70+
15	5	4	12	10	10	28

**When we're able to reopen, which best describes your attitude toward returning to a worship gathering?**

- I will return the first opportunity we have
- I will return at the first opportunity, but with some concerns and precautions
- I will wait several additional weeks before I attend.
- It may be quite a while before I return in-person
- Not sure/undecided

I will return the first opportunity we have = 18

I will return at the first opportunity, but with some concerns and precautions = 12

I will wait several additional weeks before I attend = 7

It may be quite a while before I return in-person = 13

Not sure/undecided = 7

No answer = 2

**What precautions, if any, do you agree to take when you return to gathering in person? (check all that apply)**

- I will wear a mask
- I will stay 6 feet apart from others and avoid physical contact
- I agree to have my temperature taken
- I am willing to pre-register through software like Eventbrite
- I will avoid crowded areas
- I will bring hand sanitizer
- None of these
- Not sure/not applicable

I will wear a mask	53
I will stay 6 feet apart from others and avoid physical contact	53
I agree to have my temperature taken	48
I am willing to pre-register through software like Eventbrite	41
I will avoid crowded areas	46
I will bring hand sanitizer	42
None of these	3
Not sure/not applicable	0

**What precautions, if any, do you expect our church to take for worship gatherings? (check all that apply)**

- Limit handouts of any kind (e.g., bulletin, notes pages, etc.)
- Use a new method for collecting tithes and offerings
- Use a new method for offering Holy Communion
- Minimizing singing and speaking by congregants
- Encourage social distancing in sanctuary seating
- Prop doors open so people do not have to touch handles
- Set up one-way foot traffic entering and exiting the building and sanctuary
- Provide hand sanitizer stations
- Discourage shaking hands
- None of these
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Limit handouts of any kind (e.g., bulletin, notes pages, etc.)	34
Use a new method for collecting tithes and offerings	34
Use a new method for offering Holy Communion	43
Minimizing singing and speaking by congregants	29
Encourage social distancing in sanctuary seating	47
Prop doors open so people do not have to touch handles	38
Set up one-way foot traffic entering and exiting the building and sanctuary	38
Provide hand sanitizer stations	37
Discourage shaking hands	44
None of these	7

Comments:

- I don't think the church has ventilation system to handle this.
- Use only what is necessary to mitigate risk

**Which days would you be interested in attending in-person OUTDOORS (check all that apply)**

- Weekday evening
- Saturday
- Sunday

No answer = 12
Saturday = 25
Sunday = 37
Weekday evening = 9

**Which days would you be interested in attending in-person INDOORS (check all that apply)**

- Weekday evening
- Saturday
- Sunday

No answer = 12
Saturday = 18
Sunday = 42
Weekday evening = 2

**Would you be willing to attend service at a different time than you typically attend?**

- Yes
- No
- Not sure/not applicable
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Yes = 40
No = 4
No sure/no applicable: 10
Comments: depends on time
Comments: consider rain dates for outdoor

**Please use this space to share any additional concerns you have that were not addressed in this survey.**

- 1) Gale wishes to add communion comments. She says suggest to use plastic cups ( shot) for the wine and use wafers for the " Host ". Less touching using the wafers. Gale says its a thought. Thank You
- 2) We are planning on staying with virtual services.
- 3) I LIKE SATURDAY BEST FOR ME. THERE ARE NEVER A LOT OF PEOPLE YOU HAVE PLENTY OF ROOM TO SPREAD OUT. THE PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THE CHURCH, 6 FEET APART. OFFERING IS DONE BY PUTTING INTO A BASKET, AND THAT SHOULD BE SAFE.THAT SHOULD NOT CAUSE ANY PROBLEM. IF YOU HAVE COMMUNION IT SHOULD BE DONE, ONE PERSON AT A TIME . PERSON SERVING INCLUDING PASTOR LUTZ WEAR RUBBER GLOVES AND MASK FOR PROTECTION. WHEN TOUGHING THE BREAD. EVERYONE IN THE CHURCH SHOULD WEAR A MASK. THAT SHOULD BE A RULE. THANK YOU. RENATE H. NALLEY
- 4) coffee/fellowship between Sunday Services? Will this be stopped? Tithes/Offerings may have to be dropped in a tray/box so people avoid contact?
- 5) Maintain as much of Lutheran liturgical worship structure as possible.  
Perhaps a printed service with a hymn and responses is safer than using a hymnal. The paper could be taken home to be disposed of safely.
- 6) Don't know Eventbrite??
- 7) Thank you for taking into account everyone's concerns. We appreciate everything you're doing to keep us all safe!
- 8) The eservices have been enriched with supplemental appearances from other congregations. Please revisit the concept of 2 screens offset in the sanctuary. Churches have been using them to great advantage--both before and during service. The pandemic provides an opportunity for growth and positive change.  
Weather permitting, we could begin outdoor worship ASAP if vacations are over.
- 9) I really hope that we are still able to enjoy music and singing. But definitely want people to be strongly socially distanced if singing.
- 10) Seating separate 6 feet/ per social distancing ( inside church). Communion kneeling at the altar? will it work 6 ft. apart or should we commune standing like Saturday eve service on Sundays? I think the fellowship hall, you can't distance. Be like a grocery store, people going in and out before/after services.
- 11) Do at least the first indoor service with only about 20 people so those assisting and those attending have a chance to see what works and how/where the process can be improved. After this first service, communicate with the congregation and let everyone know how this first service went and what, if anything, needs to be changed. I would like to attend indoor service, but would not feel comfortable trying the first service especially if there are large numbers allowed.
- 12) Our pod # would most likely vary between 1-3 people. I think the virtual services are excellent, so I hope to see them continue once the weather becomes too cold for outdoor services.

- 13) I have no concerns, I can follow what makes people comfortable but me myself and for my family, I have no concerns.
- 14) Change Communion to individual serving cups and wafers, dispensed with gloves. Consider doing Communion monthly instead of every Sunday (we grew up that way!). Have outdoor coffee hour when weather permits. Note on the first question--we're interested in, but not necessarily committed to, in person gatherings.
- 15) We are in our 80s and 90s and may not be allowed ( by our family) to go anyway. Thanks for trying
- 16) let us avoid all these precautions,. so we can get everybody immunity asap.  
let the people that are concerned stay home
- 17) I personally don't have any concerns but I understand that other people do and I would abide by consensus.
- 18) I am excited to be back worshiping in God's house. Virtual worshipping has been a great alternative but it is so much more spiritual be in the church. Thanks for everything your doing to make this possible.
- 19) We have members/leader who are health care experts and will consult viable sources to determine best practices. I am comfortable following their recommendations. Of course, protocols should foster the least restrictive environment for worship.
- 20) This is very thorough. Thank you!
- 21) I will not attend if others do not wear masks.
- 22) At this time, I do not feel that I would attend in person services. If the disease occurrence improves, I would be willing to go at any time, any day. I hope that the Zoom services will continue. I especially like the recorded anthems and gospel story telling. The quality of music is wonderful! Thank you for the survey and opportunity to provide my preferences.