



## CONGREGATIONAL MEETING – November 8, 2020, start time 11:30 a.m.

You are invited to participate in a Congregational meeting on Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>, starting at 11:30 a.m. (this meeting is in place of the usual ZOOM coffee hour). The purpose of this meeting is:

1. to elect members of the church Council (postponed from last June);
2. to appoint a "Notice to Reader Engagement" for our 2020 financial records;
3. to receive a motion from our Affirming Ministry task group – "That PUC become an Affirming Ministry in the United Church of Canada";
4. other information or business that may arise.

**As you've no doubt heard, because we are still limited by Covid19 restrictions and precautions, this meeting will not look the same as it has in the past, and the format is subject to change.** We are planning a hybrid model for this meeting – a combination of a limited number of participants present in the Sanctuary at the Crescent site, following Covid19 safety protocols including facemasks, plus additional folks participating on-line, via ZOOM technology. **Please consider carefully whether attending in person is the right choice for you at this time.** We encourage those who are comfortable with technology to participate live on ZOOM, leaving the limited Sanctuary seating for those who are not. **A review and decision on the meeting format will take place on Nov. 2, considering the latest public health advisories at that time.**

**\* Please understand that this does not mean that the Sanctuary can reopen for regular worship services at this time. \***

### **WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:**

- You must register in advance for this meeting, whether participating in person or on-line (see below).
- In person attendance will be strictly limited.
- All persons present in the Sanctuary must follow established Covid19 safety protocols (see below).

### **COVID 19 PROTOCOLS: FACE MASKS MANDATORY**

Our Covid Safety Team has determined how many people may be safely in the Sanctuary with safe physical distancing, including moving into and out of the building with appropriate spacing.

- Arrival may begin at 11a.m., to allow time to check in, be seated, and start the meeting at 11:30. Please restrict greetings to a wave and "hello", keeping at least 6 feet apart. (Remember – "This is not forever, it's just for now." - Dr. Bonnie Henry) Entry will be via the stairwell door, with distancing markers clearly indicated. Please observe these safe distances, both outside and indoors. Inside the building, arrival and departure process will be assisted by designated ushers.
- Face masks are mandatory. Please bring your own face mask. Disposable masks will be available if necessary. Mask may be removed only while seated in your designated spot, although you are encouraged to keep your mask on throughout.
- Hand sanitizer will be provided upon arrival at the sign-in station, and again upon departure.
- Please review the following. At check-in, you will be asked to confirm these **Covid19 self-screening assessment** questions –
  - Have you travelled outside the country in the last 14 days?
  - Have you been in contact with a confirmed case of Covid19?
  - Do you have any of the following new or worsening symptoms?
    - Fever
    - New or worsening cough
    - Shortness of breath

- **Sore throat, hoarse voice, difficulty swallowing**
- **Runny nose, sneezing, or nasal congestion – in the absence of a pre-existing condition**
- **New smell or taste disorders**
- **Nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, or abdominal pain**
- **Unexplained fatigue/malaise/chills/headache**
- Participants will be escorted to a designated seat, ensuring safe social distancing. Household groups may sit together. Please remain in your designated seat. Windows will be open, weather permitting.
- At the end of the meeting, departure process will be supervised by the ushers.
- Please do not cluster inside the building or in the parking lot.

**\*\*\* PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED. HOW TO REGISTER:**

- Whether you attend in person, or participate on-line, **pre-registration is required** to enable the allotment of seating, and to enable the technology required.
- Please phone the office at 604-531-2979 or email [office@peninsulaunited.com](mailto:office@peninsulaunited.com) to register.
- **Registration will open on Monday, October 26, and will close at 1:00 pm on Thursday, November 5.**
- Indicate whether you can participate via ZOOM, or request a seat in the Sanctuary (limited seats available).
- **Indicate the names of those you are registering.**
- You will be contacted later to confirm your registration status, and provide any further information that may be required (e.g. ZOOM connection information for those joining on-line).