

Chatham United Methodist Church
Covid-19 Building Protocols for Indoor Time of Prayerful Community

(Beginning 6/20/21, to be revised as conditions change)

As an expression of care for safe community and for those who cannot be vaccinated because of age or health condition, CUMC's Church Council is asking attendees to follow the guidelines below for our indoor Time of Prayerful Community on Sunday mornings.

We will all:

- Wear a mask covering nose and mouth inside the church building (masks will be available for those who have forgotten, as well as hand sanitizer)
- Maintain 6-foot social distance between households
- Refrain from handshaking, hugging, and other forms of physical contact
- Sit in pews as outlined by taped markings, designed to create safe spacing between household groupings
- Everyone will be asked to sign the pew attendance books to keep track of members who come to the service, in the interest of possible contact tracing
- There will be no congregational singing at this time, although music will include a socially distanced soloist
- We will increase the number of children's coloring tables to encourage social distancing
- Even after our HVAC system and filters are upgraded this month, we will open all available doors and windows to increase fresh air flows
- Restrooms will be open and well sanitized before the service, but we ask all to use them only if absolutely necessary
- You may visit with others outside after the service at a socially distanced refreshment fellowship
- If you are not feeling well, please stay home and enjoy our online service instead

Our goal is to spread love, but not the virus!

Thank you for your consideration of others!

Note: No volunteer leaders or church staff are epidemiologists or infectious disease experts. We are using the NJ State, Local Health District, and CDC guidance to make a best effort to protect one another. While it is our intent that the above guidelines are sufficient, each attendee of the indoor Time of Prayerful Community needs to act according to their own comfort and risk factors and in the interest of fellow attendees.