

## **In Person Worship during a Pandemic at St. John's**

Thank you for registering for in-person worship for this coming Sunday. We look forward to seeing you! If you have questions before Sunday, please call Patti Gorell at the church office: **715-834-9571**, Monday through Friday 8:30AM – 4:30PM.

Please arrive ***no earlier than 7:55AM (for the 8:15AM worship) or 9:40AM (for the 10:00AM worship)*** with your own mask on and once you are seated, plan to remain in your seat throughout.

We know that circumstances can arise after you reserve your seats for worship. If you answer “Yes” to any of the following on Sunday morning, please stay home and watch the service on Facebook Live or view it on Monday when the link of the worship service is sent by email.

- Do you have any of these symptoms: fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath, fatigue, body aches, headache, recent loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea?
- Have you had close contact with anyone who is ill? Have you been in close contact with anyone you know had COVID-19 or COVID-like symptoms?
- Have you had a positive COVID-19 test in the past 10 days, or are you awaiting results of a COVID-19 test?
- Within the past 14 days has a public health or medical professional told you to self-monitor, self-isolate or self-quarantine because of concerns about COVID-19 infection?

If you are well, we look forward to welcoming you to worship! Here are a few expectations that will be part of our worship this Sunday until such a time as we are able to slowly return to more normalcies. These expectations are for the good of the neighbor and the entire community (*Matthew 22: 35-40*):

### **EXPECTATIONS FOR THE FAITHFUL COMMUNITY**

- All in attendance are required to wear a mask throughout the service (ages 5 and up.) This includes covering your entire mouth AND nose.
- Remain 6 feet away from those not in your household when waiting to be seated. We ask participants to remain seated throughout worship. This worship/gathering is a large event with multiple households and we recommend refraining from handshakes and hugging.
- Gathering Area Restrooms are available for no more than 1 household in each restroom at a time. While restrooms are available during worship, we encourage attendees to use the restroom before being seated. All children ages 12 and under must be escorted to the restroom.

- Because we love each other, we instinctively want to gather, but we ask that you have fellowship outside where it is safer to do so. You can check in with each other outdoors.
- Please do not bring any food or drink in with you at any time. We ask that your mask remain on until the brief time of Communion.

## **EXPECTATIONS DURING THE WORSHIP SERVICE**

- Due to air ventilation, the climate control in the sanctuary may be cooler in the winter and warmer in the summer than one would normally expect. It is recommended that you dress in layers.
- All content will be projected so there will be no bulletins. Verbal responses / spoken words are appropriate.
- Music will be sung / played by a cantor or organist/pianist while we refrain from any congregational singing.
- As you enter the worship space, an usher will give you a communion cup for Holy Communion. Gluten free is available so please ask an usher. The Pastor will invite you to remove your mask to eat and drink during communion; please promptly put your mask back on afterward.
- Offerings will be received online or you may drop your offering in the plate as you leave the worship space. *Thank you* for your faithful giving to your faith community.
- After the blessing and sending, worship attendees are asked to exit promptly from the building at the direction of an usher.