

Proposed Plan for the Initial Reopening - June 28, 2020

- We will continue to stream our Sunday and Wednesday worship services via our church website. We encourage people who fall into the “AT RISK” category to continue listening to the live streamed service from home.
- Anyone who is sick or is displaying symptoms including cough, sore throat, loss of taste or smell, shortness of breath, or has had a fever within the last 14 days, is asked to please stay home and join us via our Live Stream from the church website.
- We will utilize the sanctuary, Fellowship Hall, and the Original Fellowship Hall (Willard Benson Class) for seating to allow proper social distancing. We would like to reserve the Original Fellowship Hall for our people who feel they are “higher risk,” since they will be able to enter directly into the Old Fellowship Hall through the side door, without having to be around a greater number of people.
- You are encouraged to use the entrance of your choice when you arrive while maintaining social distancing. There will be Ushers there to assist you with seating. Doors will already be opened. Note that the only 3 entry points will be the main sanctuary doors, the main Fellowship Hall doors, and the side door next to the path for the Original Fellowship Hall. Please do not enter the church by any other means and arrive at the church no more than 30 minutes prior to the service.
- In the sanctuary, Ushers will escort you to seating, beginning at the front rows, seating people properly spaced apart. Exceptions will be with families of the same household. In that case, no spacing will be required.

- In the sanctuary, every other row will be closed to maintain proper social distancing as recommended by the CDC. If the sanctuary is full to our temporary capacity, you will be directed to another entrance.
- In the Fellowship Hall and Original Fellowship Hall, tables and seating available will be set as you arrive, and you can choose where you would like to sit. Please do not move the seating around as it will be arranged for proper social distancing.
- Hand sanitizer will be available at each entrance for your use.
- Per Gov. Roy Cooper's order that goes into effect on Friday, we are asking that anyone older than 11 years old wear a face mask while on the property, inside and outside of the building. If anyone does not have a face mask and needs one, there will be some available at each entrance.
- During the initial reopening process, there will be no Sunday School or Children's Church. All children must always be accompanied by a parent or guardian. We will also not have our Women's Auxiliary or Layman's League meetings in the building until we are in the next phase when we switch our Wednesday evening services to onsite in lieu of virtual.
- The sanctuary will be cleaned and sanitized between services. We have contracted with a specialty firm to disinfect our building before the next service. This is in addition to Parrish Cleaning, who does our normal cleaning. This service will not only consist of wiping down high-touch areas but also fogging the areas with disinfectant. We will have this done before our service on 6/28 and each Thursday / Friday for the next month.
- The water fountain will not be available. Everyone is welcome to bring their own bottled water. We would also encourage keeping

the use of our bathrooms to a minimum, if possible. We also ask that you refrain from making coffee and bringing in food in each of our Fellowship Halls at this time. Although coffee and food are not permitted in the sanctuary, please feel free to bring your own coffee if you sit in either of the Fellowship Halls.

- We will be practicing social distancing according to the 6-foot guidelines set forth by the CDC. Please refrain from shaking hands or hugging while interacting with others that would in any way invade their personal space.
- At the end of the service, please be seated and remain seated. Ushers will dismiss each pew in the sanctuary beginning at the back to the front.
- Offering plates will not be passed. Before or after the service, congregants may place their offering in the appropriate container located in each respective area.
- Everyone is asked not to congregate at the exits or linger in the building after the service. Fellowship can occur outside the building with proper social distancing.
- All pew Bibles and hymnals will be temporarily removed. Words to songs will be projected on the screen at the front of the sanctuary, as well as in both Fellowship Halls, if needed. However, with the Governor's mask mandate in effect, we will not have congregational singing at this time.
- There will be no choir for the first few weeks. Any special music will be by small groups or soloists. Also, since we will be broadcasting these services over the airwaves, songs must be approved in

advance to ensure we are in compliance with our licensing. Please contact Pastor Roger for more information on this.

- There will be no bulletins for the next few weeks. Any announcements will be made from the pulpit, projected on the screen, or made via One Call messaging during the week. The bulletins are also available on our church website weekly.
- No outside groups or fellowship hall reservations are allowed for the foreseeable future.
- We will initially continue to have our Wednesday evening service virtually online during this Phase I reopening. As we move into Phase II, we will have our Wednesday evening service onsite, and incorporate our Sunday evening services online.

IMPORTANT: Please keep in mind that this is merely stage 1 for the initial reopening for worship. As things improve, we will gradually return to a full schedule with the full Choir, Sunday School, Children's Church, Women's Auxiliary, Layman's League, as well as onsite Wednesday and Sunday evening services.

May God bless us all and keep us safe as we come back together in our building for worship.