

# CCCF Worship Guidelines Under Covid-19 Crisis

## September 2020 Update

### **We have begun two weekly services!**

- **8:30 A.M.** – is a mask only service for those who are at high-risk or being cautious about other high-risk people around them. (1 hour long) See specifics below.
- **10:30 A.M.** — masks are not mandatory, but we are still seeking to follow the guidelines as set forth by the CDC & State included in the information that follows.

**\*\*Our service will continue to be available online for those not attending in person at the 10:30 time.**

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### **Who can attend in person worship?**

Members that are defined as non-high risk (under age 65 without pre-existing health conditions) may attend. Members that are defined as high risk are strongly encouraged to continue to worship from home but are not prohibited from attending in person at the service they are most comfortable with.

Families that include anyone that has any symptoms of possible Covid-19\* must worship from home and be symptom free for 14 days before considering attending worship in person.

Families that include anyone that has been exposed to anyone testing positive for Covid-19 must worship from home and be symptom free for 14 days before considering attending worship in person.

\*\*Symptoms of Covid-19 are cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, chills, repeated shaking with chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, loss of taste or smell, diarrhea, feeling feverish, or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit.

### **How will social distancing be managed in our church building?**

*Seating will be assigned via email survey from the church.*

Members should enter the church building around 8-5 minutes prior to service starting time and leave immediately after. Congregating in the church lobby is discouraged so again please move outside, weather permitting, for fellowship.

Members' families are required to sit together as families in the same row. Two empty seats must be maintained between families. Members attending individually will be treated like a family and have two seats between them and the next member/family.

Members should do their best to maintain 6 feet of separation from other families. There should be no physical contact (hugging or handshakes) with other families. Again, after the service, we ask that you not linger in the building but move outside, weather permitting, for fellowship.

Those attending worship are lovingly encouraged to wear face masks for the benefits it provides to others. However, you are not prohibited from worship service if you choose not to wear a face mask.

### **What health protocols will be followed to reduce the risk of the virus spreading?**

We will regularly and frequently clean and disinfect any regularly touched surfaces such as doorknobs, tables, chairs, and restrooms.

Hand sanitizer, soap and water, paper towels, and disinfecting wipes will be available. We have a limited supply of these items on hand. If you can obtain any of these items for the church, please do so and let Rick Lenz know.

Restroom usage should be kept to a minimum, and no more than one person in the restroom at a time (does not apply to parents of small children).

### **Will there be childcare?**

At the 10:30 service ONLY!!

Volunteers are trained on proper dress, proper procedures, and proper guidelines laid out by the CDC in regard to childcare.

For the time being, parents will be asked to change their children with dirty diapers.

Children's Church has proceeded. Dress guidelines laid out by the CDC are also be in effect.

Volunteers who are not comfortable volunteering at this time will be excused until they decide on when to serve again.

### **Will communion be served?**

Communion packets are being served that includes a wafer and juice. They are not gluten free. For the early service, communion will be already distributed and placed on the assigned seats where you will be sitting when you come in after filling out the weekly survey.

### **What other changes can be expected?**

- The coffee maker will not be available.
- The entry way double doors, sanctuary double doors, and hallway doors will remain open throughout the service.
- Offering baskets will not be passed. An offering box will be provided for members to make their offerings. Additionally, the online and mail processes continue to be available.
- There will be no Bibles or Friendship pads in the seats.

**8:30 A.M. Service Specifics:**

- Again, the service will be specifically for folks who desire to wear a mask for the entire service so all the congregation and any helpers will be masked. Only Jason and I will remain unmasked, when onstage, so that we may lead.
- The bulletin, sermon notes, and communion will be already distributed and placed on the assigned seats where you will be sitting when you come in after filling out the weekly survey. Yes, all will still fill out the survey, but there will be a place to note which service you desire to attend.
- After the first service, we ask that people clear out immediately so that it gives the music team time to have a practice starting at 9:45 for the second service which would begin at 10:30 a.m.
- Masks will be available if you happen to come and forget yours.

**\*Please note, music team members may not arrive earlier than 9:45 unless they wear a mask when entering the building.**

**Other weekly ministries have begun — see bulletin and website for details.**