

Dear members and friends of St. Paul's,

We will be making some changes to our Covid-19 protocols beginning on Sunday July 11th, corresponding with Step 3 of the provincial reopening plan. We know that some will be very excited to take off masks and gather together again, while others will be more cautious and concerned. Out of love for each other, please keep this in mind as we come together.

Below are St. Paul's updated guidelines which will come into effect Sunday July 11th:

1. Registration for Services is no longer required.
2. Wearing a mask is optional. Although masking will no longer be required under the public health order, some people may still wish to wear masks based on their own risk assessment and comfort level.
3. Social distancing is optional. Some might be ready to shake hands and sit together again, while others might not be ready yet. If someone wants to sit or talk close to you and you are not comfortable, it is okay to say "Sorry, but I need some space." It is important that we are aware of each other's space and are understanding of each other.
4. Congregational singing resumes.
5. Holy Communion will continue to be served "Pilgrim Style" and extra precautions will continue with preparation and distribution.
6. Ushers will lead people out after Service from back to front, through the narthex and out the front doors.
7. We encourage you to continue to use the e transfer and PAR options to send in donations electronically to help cut down on contact made by the counters each week. However, an offering plate will also be available in the narthex. Please use your church envelopes for your offering as no envelopes will be available at the church for loose offerings. If you do not have church envelopes, please clearly write your name, address and phone number on the outside of a regular envelope so that a receipt may be issued.

If at any time you are unsure of anything please don't hesitate to ask one of the ushers for guidance or assistance. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the church office by email or phone and we will get back to you as soon as we are able to offer our assistance.

If you have been away from groups of people (including Church) for a while, it might be difficult to gather with others again. It's okay to try. Maybe the first time you come you will have to leave after 15 minutes. Maybe next week you will make it to 20 minutes, or maybe you will have to leave after 10 minutes. This might take time, and that is okay.