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# First United Methodist Church, Oshkosh WI

## Guidelines for Resuming Onsite Services

*Observed safety during COVID 19*

1) Entering and exiting: We will have ONE-WAY traffic:

- Enter through the west side of the building at the double glass doors (those facing parking lot)
- Exit through the south entrance (main doors under portico).
- Per Governor Evers' mandate – **Everyone is required to wear a mask** (Certain situations allow for exemptions.)
- Please maintain safe social distancing, at least 6 feet apart (or  one cow length apart 😊)

2) Before entering the building: Please answer these common-sense questions about you and your family.

The questions help eliminate possible 'carriers' of the virus. All questions must be answered with no in order to enter.

- Have you traveled in the last 14 days to any area with high incidence of COVID 19?
- Have you been exposed to anyone known to have tested positive for COVID 19?
- Have you been in a high-density area with a COVID-19 outbreak?
- Have you had a fever, felt feverish, or the chills in the last 24 hours?
- Do you feel sick today?

3) As you enter the building:

- Proceed down the hall after answering "no" to all of the questions.
- Proceed to temperature check
- Touchless hand sanitizers will be available. If you forget a mask, handmade and one-use masks will be on hand.
- The safest way to enter the Sanctuary is front to back. Exiting will be the opposite. Ushers will direct those in the back of the Sanctuary to leave first (Out the Main Entrance)
- Families can sit together
- Be seated with social distancing in mind and where indicated by direction of the ushers

4) Our worship experience will be "different," but it will be great to gather again! All of these items are intended to lessen the risk of the virus and allow us to worship together.

- Bulletins and Communion elements (when we have Communion) will already be on the seats.
- Sing quietly or hum along with the songs and hymns with masks on.
- Words for all hymns and Scripture readings will be on the screen.
- Moms and Dads: Please keep your children with you in the pews. Currently, there is no timetable to restart Sunday School onsite. Online options are available.
- The worship service will be a bit shorter. Pastor will preach shorter sermons and Pastor will preach from the pulpit. The traditional Passing of the Peace will not take place.
- Your Tithes and Offerings will be gratefully received by the exit door. Thank you for your generous partnership and sensitivity to God's leading.
- After service, we invite you to take everything you used from the service with you (bulletins, communion wrappers, etc.)
- Currently, conditions do not allow for our Fellowship Hour, any visiting may be done outside in the parking lot.
- Exit the Sanctuary - back rows to front rows through front doors by direction of the ushers.
- If you need to use the rest room while in the building, disinfectant wipes will be available to you.
- The rest rooms in the education wing are available for diaper changes and are wheelchair accessible.

Thank you for your partnership in these things!



We will learn together and will show grace and care to each other.



*Thank you for protecting the folks we love best – Each of YOU!*

*May we continue to live by faith, be known by love, and be a voice of hope.*