

Covid Team Recommendations

The Covid Team Recommends that the below changes take effect August 1, 2021

- **Communion**
 - **Pew Communion**
 - Communion Packets will be available at both services for those who would like to continue taking Communion in the pew.
 - This option will be done prior to people coming forward for Communion.
 - **8:00 AM Worship – Altar Communion**
 - Return Communion to what it was pre-Covid, but allow for 3ft social distancing at the altar between families. All those assisting with Communion (Pastor, Communion Assistant, usher) will wear masks.
 - An usher will hold a tray of empty cups.
 - Each person takes an empty cup.
 - The Pastor will place a wafer in each person's hand.
 - The Communion Assistant will fill the empty cups from the Chalice at the railing (a prefilled grape juice option will also be available).
 - A basket will be available for the empty cups.
 - **9:30 AM Worship – Continuous Communion**
 - Normal Continuous Communion, but allow for 3ft social distancing between families. All those assisting with Communion (Pastor, Communion Assistant, usher) will wear masks.
 - An usher will hold a tray of empty cups.
 - Each person will take an empty cup.
 - The Pastor will place a wafer in each person's hand.
 - The Communion Assistant will fill empty cups from the Chalice (a prefilled grape juice option will also be available).
 - A basket will be available for the empty cups.
- **Singing**
 - All those who are vaccinated may sing without wearing a mask.
- **Baptism**
 - Baptisms are allowed and will be celebrated during Worship as they were pre-Covid.
- **First Communion**
 - The First Communion class will be held in the fall.
 - The children will receive their First Communion during a Worship service and will follow the guidelines above for Communion.
- **Outside groups**
 - We will allow outside groups to use our facility.
 - We will ask that all non-vaccinated members of the group continue to wear masks.
 - We will ask that all members of the group maintain 3 feet social distancing.
 - We will advise all groups that scheduled meetings may need to be canceled if case counts rise.