

June 15, 2021

To our Mt. Zion members and friends,

On June 15, the Wilderness Committee met and discussed several things relating to our worship services and meeting inside of our church building.

After much prayerful consideration, we made several changes that we wanted to relate to all of you.

Here are our new policies:

Masks—Masks will no longer be required inside the church building but will be available if you would like to wear one.

Sanitizing pews/hand sanitizer—We will no longer require ushers to sanitize pews but will have the custodial staff clean the pews when they clean the sanctuary prior to Sunday worship. Hand sanitizer will be available for those who wish to sanitize upon entering the sanctuary (or church building) and as they are leaving.

Distancing/limits on people at worship—We continue to recommend distancing of 6' in the sanctuary, allowing seating in every other pew. Green tape will indicate a place to sit and red tape or a red sign will indicate a place that should be left empty. We will not limit worship to 40 people but will monitor numbers and add extra chairs if needed to allow for distancing.

Number of services—For now, we will continue having two worship services (8:30 AM and 10:30 AM) and monitor numbers at worship.

Online sign-up for attending worship services is discontinued. You no longer need to reserve your spot for worship.

Signing in at worship - Stop at the table as you enter, and greeters will sign you in when you come for worship.

Inside the church building

Number limits for groups who meet inside the church

- 20 in the fellowship hall (We recommend entering the church using the east entrance)
- an additional 20 in the lower level (We recommend entering through the west entrance.)
- an additional 8 in the nursery.

Masks and distancing—same rules as in the sanctuary.

- Masks not required
- 6' distancing recommended.

Outside Groups

We will open the church to outside groups and let them know our policy—

- maximum of 20 people per group
- recommended distancing of 6' when possible
- Fill out an attendance log
- Clean up when finished

Contract Tracing Log

Indoors-- Groups of 3 or more (not in the same family group) should sign in at the door. Groups/committees should fill out a group form.

Outdoors --No signing in for groups or for worship services.

I hope this clarifies our updated policies.

If you have questions or concerns, feel free to contact me or our vice-president, Scott Johnson. Our contact information is in every Weekly Word.

Sincerely,

Judy Meincke
President, Mt. Zion