



- the plan to gather again -

Being separated has been hard.

This has been a very tough season for many. In less than three months our church, community, and our world has been disrupted and changed in a way that nobody could have imagined at the start of 2020. But we are excited to begin reopening soon! The opportunity for us to live with hope and actively share Jesus with those who need him is now. Let's lean into the Lord and the guidance of the Holy Spirit to care for our community and share the love of Christ.

REOPENING WILL BE CAUTIOUS, AND WE WILL REMAIN UNITED

In an effort to continue living out our mission as a church and care for those God has entrusted to us, we have prayerfully put together a THREE PHASE PLAN to gather again. Every effort is being made to ensure that each phase is prepared to be in harmony with our local leadership, medical professionals, CDC recommendations, and the DNA of our church family. As we begin to reopen, we want to operate in unity as the body of Christ and love one another, for "just as I (Christ) have loved you, you also are to love one another (John 13:34)."

PHASE ONE

safer at home

GATHERING FOR COMMUNITY WORSHIP

Now - June 20

- Gospel Communities or groups of friends and family begin meeting to watch and worship together. **Masks and social distancing practices are still encouraged.**
- Continue live-streaming messages, announcements, and worship each Sunday via Facebook and Youtube.
- Volunteer crew for Sunday morning streaming will remain reduced.
- Sanitize and clean the stage and equipment in advance of Phase 2.
- The KidsCo wing, Chapel, and the Commons remain closed in order to reduce cleaning needs.
- Gospel Communities & Student Ministries will continue to be encouraged to meet online via ZOOM.

Persons with compromised immune systems, in an at-risk category, or simply not ready to return to church are encouraged to stay home and continue watching online.

PHASE TWO

social but distant

GATHERING FOR CORPORATE WORSHIP

June 21 - TBD

- Sunday services will resume with limited capacity. Seating in the auditorium will be limited and spread out to accommodate social distancing guidelines.
- **Pre-Registration** for services will be required in order to maintain low group numbers.
- We will create additional service times as necessary to accommodate registrations.
- **Families will remain together** in the sanctuary. No Gospel Communities, Childcare, Children's Ministry, or Student Ministry at the building.
- Gospel Communities & Student Ministries will continue to be encouraged to meet online via ZOOM.
- **Continue to livestream services online.**

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Changes to Sunday mornings.

- **Masks** are strongly encouraged for all in attendance.
- Hand sanitizer available throughout the building.
- **Giving boxes** will be available at the rear of the sanctuary.
- Communication cards will be **digital only**.
- Pre-packaged communion packets will be utilized for Lord's Supper.
- Bottled water will be provided instead of coffee.
- Bathrooms will be open but use will be limited to **one person at a time**.
- High touch surfaces, pews, and bathrooms will be **sanitized** between services.
- **KidsCo will remain closed**, but packets will be provided for all children.
- **No other groups or events will meet at the building.**

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PHASE THREE

soft opening

THE NEW NORMAL

TBD

- Reduce service times when local guidelines allow and health officials recommend larger gatherings.
- Seating in the auditorium will be limited and spread out to accommodate updated social distancing guidelines. Overflow space with the livestream will be provided in the Chapel.
- Livestreaming will continue on Facebook and YouTube.
- Hospitality may reopen with coffee.
- KidsCo and nursery reopens with new guidelines in place to reduce contact.
- The Commons and Chapel reopen for small group use.
- In person ministry events resume with new guidelines. All social distancing guidelines should still be followed.

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2 Timothy 1:3-4

I thank God whom I serve, as did my ancestors, with a clear conscience, as I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. As I remember your tears, I long to see you, that I may be filled with joy. (ESV)