

REGATHERING FOR OUTDOOR WORSHIP

The following are practices and steps that will be required of all who attend outdoor, in-person worship. We will gather on the upper lawn between the bell tower and columbarium to allow more space for worshippers to spread out. Dress is casual. Worship will not be held if it is raining.

- No one should come to our worship services if that person believes he/she has the coronavirus or has been exposed to it. Also, based on CDC guidelines for age and underlying health issues, those who may be highly susceptible to the virus should postpone coming to worship until a safer time in the future. **Weekly worship services will continue to be offered on YouTube.**
- Those planning to attend a worship service are asked to make an advance reservation through the Holy Trinity website so that there is a record for contact tracing, should that become necessary. Those without internet access may call the church office before 4:00 p.m. on Fridays to make reservations. In this first phase of regathering, attendance will be limited to thirty people per service. Additional services will be added as required.
- Please notify the church office immediately if you have attended a service and begin to show signs of COVID-19, or learn of contact with a COVID-positive person. In-person worship will be suspended until test results are available. Once test results have been received, we will evaluate our need to remain closed or resume regathering.
- Hand sanitizer, disposable masks, and offering plates will be available on tables when worshippers arrive.
- Worshippers will wear face masks covering mouth **and** nose and maintain a physical distance of six feet between individuals or family groups. This will apply to conversations before and after worship as well. The services will be brief, with a lesson, prayers, and Holy Communion with bread only. There will be no singing.
- All worshippers will refrain from any physical contact with one another. There will be no handshakes, hugs, etc., and the Sharing of the Peace will be a verbal response with a nod or slight bow to those nearby.
- Childcare will not be offered. Restrooms will be for emergency use only. There will be no coffee hours.

Out of love for one another, and especially for the more vulnerable among us, these are procedures we believe are important for us to follow at this point in the larger coronavirus pandemic. These steps may be revised as we move along, and additional procedures will be shared when we transition to indoor, in-person worship. We seek your cooperation, patience, understanding, and support.