

Plan for re-engaging in gathered corporate worship at PHCRC.

The Elders of PHCRC have decided to proceed with a plan to gradually re-engage in gathered corporate worship beginning Sunday morning, July 5. There will be a single service that morning at 9:30AM and the livestream will be available as well. We will be monitoring the need for additional capacity in the future which may mean adding an additional service time in the morning.

The Elders have decided that in re-engaging we will be following the guidance provided by the Illinois Department of Public Health and the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

As we begin to re-engage in gathered corporate worship:

- Seating will be limited to 100 people in the Sanctuary, 25 in the Narthex, and 50 in the Fellowship Hall. Those in the Fellowship Hall will be watching the livestream of the service.
- Masks must be worn entering and exiting the church building. [Children under 10 are encouraged to wear masks but they are not required. Children under 5 do not need to wear masks. All children should practice social distancing.]
- Everyone entering the building should please proceed directly to the Sanctuary, Narthex, or Fellowship Hall to be seated. (Please do not visit with others in the building.)
- You may seat yourself in an open seating area (every other row will be blocked off to maintain social distance), as much as possible please try to sit as far forward as possible to minimize cross traffic. Persons living in the same household do not need to socially distance.
- We *encourage* wearing masks for the duration of the time you are in the building, but they may be removed once you are seated at a safe distance from others. Masks must be worn during congregational singing.
- At the conclusion of the worship service we will exit the sanctuary from back to front to minimize cross traffic. Masks must be worn as you exit the Sanctuary, Narthex, or Fellowship Hall. Please exit the building immediately.
- Feel free to visit outside the building, but please continue to observe safe social-distance practices. While outside, please be conscious of people in the parking lot as you exit in your car. Parents please keep a close eye on your children.

Other practices:

- Childcare and Walk Out Worship will not be offered at this time.
- Coffee fellowship will be suspended for the time being.
- There will be no offering during the worship service, but baskets will be placed by each entrance for you to leave your offering. You can also continue to contribute through our online giving option.
- There will be no paper bulletins distributed at this time. The worship order, children's bulletins, and announcements will continue to be sent out by email on Friday afternoon.
- Bibles and Hymnals and other papers have been removed from the pews. You are encouraged to bring your own Bible, but all song verses and Bible passages will be projected.
- Hand sanitizer is available at each entrance and is available in other places throughout the building.

Please remember if you, or a member of your family, are sick please remain at home (especially if you have an elevated temperature).

We continue to encourage anyone who is at increased risk of contracting the COVID virus and anyone with underlying medical conditions to remain at home and make continued use of the livestream.

Finally, let us remember to act toward one another with patience, humility, grace, and love as sisters and brothers in Christ. And may God be honored as we gather to worship him. If you have any questions, please contact your Family Team Elder, or Pastor Greg.

The Elders.