

WELCOME BACK TO REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH
COVID-19 Safety Precautions

In reopening our congregation, we are putting in place some protocols that will include social distancing in an effort to keep all healthy and safe. We kindly ask that you wear a mask upon entering church and during worship, doing so in Christian love and concern for your brothers and sisters in Christ. If you don't have a mask, we will provide masks as you enter the church. As we move forward we will continue to reassess the need to wear a mask, however at this time we consider it a best practice for our church family.

When you enter the sanctuary, you will notice that every other pew has been cordoned off. This is to encourage six feet of separation between pews. Please seek to maintain six feet between family units within the pew you choose.

We are attempting to worship as we normally worship. However, please note that there will be no passing of the peace before worship, no processional or recessional cross, no kneeling, and no passing of the Fellowship books in the pews, all in an effort to practice good social distancing. An offering plate will be placed at the door of the sanctuary for you to place your offerings in when entering or leaving worship. We are also foregoing our receiving line at the end of worship and our Fellowship Hour until further notice. Again, as we move forward we will continue to reassess our practices and we are hopeful that over time we will be able to return to many of these traditional worship practices. Your patience and understanding are coveted.

We will celebrate the Lord's Supper, however this will be done at the foot of the steps to the chancel. The ushers will direct you how to exit your pew (down the side aisle please) and how to reenter your pew (down the side aisle please, walking around the perimeter of the sanctuary). We are asking that no one exit via the center aisle to maintain social distancing.

When communing, there is room for eight people per communing group. The deacons will make every effort to have families commune together. If this is not possible, we ask for your patience and understanding. It may take longer to commune due to these changes, but additional hymns have been added to the Distribution Hymn list.

Thank you in advance for your understanding and patience. If you have any questions regarding these guidelines, please do not hesitate to contact me. The Board of Directors has worked together to develop this plan for resuming worship; we are all so thankful that our fellowship as a congregation is resuming. As we continue to learn how to worship together during a pandemic, we may modify these guidelines as appropriate.

May God bless and keep you!

Pastor Davidson