



FIRST LUTHERAN
LCMS
PAPILLION NEBRASKA

First Lutheran Church Guidance for Conducting Worship After COVID-19 Reopening

Basics

- Livestream broadcast of Sunday services will continue as we have always done
- If you are feeling poorly or are uncomfortable with coming to church, please stay home
- Do not feel obligated to attend worship in person simply because we have restarted services
- There will be no difference between Saturday and Sunday services – all will be identical
- Social distancing rules apply throughout the service and upon entering/exiting the church
- Hymnals, pew Bibles, pencils, etc. will be removed from pews
- There will be no acolytes, choir, or large bell choir
- Kids will stay with parents in pews during the kid's sermon
- Sunday school and adult Bible class will be on-line only
- Surfaces will be wiped down between services
- Church will be thoroughly cleaned before weekly services
- Masks are encouraged but not required
- Worship attendants will sanitize before preparing and serving communion
- As always, a private communion can still be scheduled with the Pastor

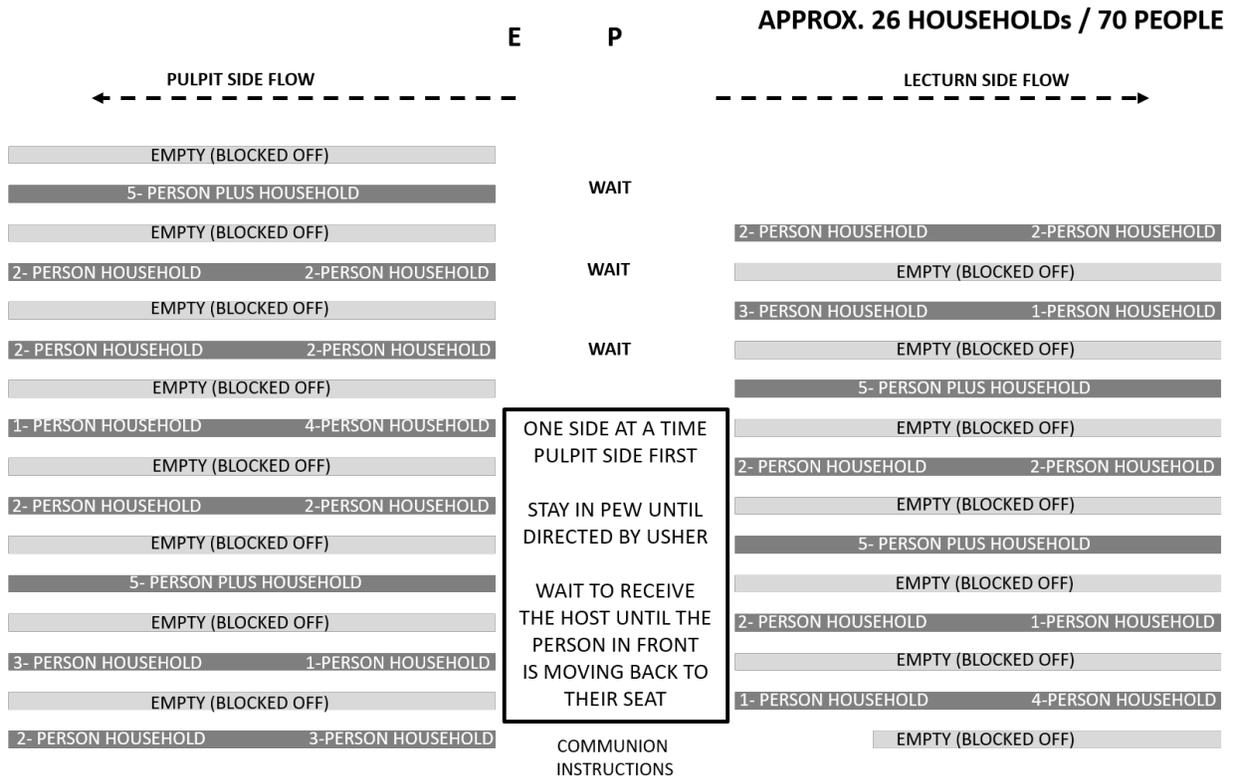
Enter and Exit

- Enter church through North door only – use auto-open feature
- East door to Washington St will be unlocked but used as an exit only
- Elevator, lower level bathrooms, Fellowship Hall, and balcony will be closed
- Please do not congregate in hallway or Narthex – families must walk directly into Sanctuary
- Offering may be dropped off upon entering or exiting the Sanctuary
- Every other pew is unused – no more than 5 people total from any two households to a pew
- Same household with 5 or more can sit together and will occupy one pew by themselves
- Exit Sanctuary when directed – back pews first proceeding directly outside to your vehicle
- Do not reuse service bulletin – members must take it with them

Communion

- Pilgrim communion – no common cup
- One line only - Pulpit side first then Lectern side
- Leave 1 pew spacing between individuals to maintain distance while waiting for communion
- Remain in the pew until directed by an usher/Elder to proceed
- Wait until the person in front is returning to their seat before going up to receive the elements
- Place used cup in waste basket provided

SANCTUARY DIAGRAM



Notional Seating Arrangement

Registration

To ensure compliance with social distancing guidance and for the safety and convenience of our members, we ask that you register each week for the service you wish to attend. Please call the church office at (402) 339-3668 and let Diana know how many in your household will be worshipping.