

## Onsite Worship Signup

<https://stpaul Lutheran3.flocknote.com/signup/16349>

### 1st OR 3rd Sundays Starting Out

Good friends,

Although I so wish we could snap our fingers and return to our pre-pandemic worship life, we know that simply is not possible. However, I hope you will be encouraged to learn that at their meeting on September 21<sup>st</sup> our congregational council affirmed a recommendation from the Worship & Music Committee that we offer those who wish to return to onsite worship an opportunity to do so by signing up for either a 1<sup>st</sup> OR 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in October. Requesting that persons indicate their attendance by sign up ensures that we can seat them safely.

There will be 13 support persons needed weekly. Therefore, we are limited to 47 additional persons as then we reach the maximum capacity set for this phase, which is 60. This number may increase as may the number of services persons can attend. The Worship & Music committee and Church Council will reevaluate this at their next meetings. It also allows us the flexibility needed (at this stage) to receive persons who may visit from the community safely. By asking that you choose between a 1<sup>st</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday, we ensure 94 different persons have an opportunity to come back to onsite worship in October. If we find we are not reaching 94 different persons, then you may receive a congregational email informing you of an opportunity to sign up for that additional service.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays will remain on-line worship only with Zone Communion, ensuring that there are multiple opportunities to receive the sacrament. As the weather changes we realize our Zone Communion may become less and less sustainable, but at this time we believe they are providing a way for those who are not yet comfortable returning to onsite worship to receive the sacrament safely and stay in community with their brothers and sisters in Christ.

I realize that these opportunities to receive the sacrament may not be the way each of us is used to receiving the sacrament but would ask you to prayerfully consider two realities. 1. For three months (April-June) none of these opportunities were even possible. 2. Communion / the sacrament of the altar is Christ's real presence that comes to us in spite of us and what we think, feel or want. So, again I thank you for patience in these times and for your dedication to the community of faith in which we share.

Below you will find the link to sign up for onsite worship should you choose. You will also find the 10 Things You Will Need To Know Before You Come. We will place these on our website as well. Make sure to designate ONE person in your family to be responsible for signing you all up otherwise you may create duplicate entries. If you have difficulty call the church office and we will help you. Also, remember, our online worship opportunities can be found at [www.stpaulc.net](http://www.stpaulc.net) and will continue for both the 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. times. If you are like me, you miss singing so check out the 7 p.m. online offering to get your fix. You may find yourself singing so loud your neighbors think you are Baptist.

Standing With You In The Grip Of God's Grace – PJ

## **TO SIGN UP GO TO:**

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### **THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW PRIOR TO ARRIVAL:**

- Do Not Attend if You Are Feeling ill or have a Covid Test Pending.
- Masks Covering Mouth & Nose Required.
- Child Care Is Not Being Provided.
- Please arrive no later than 8:45 so that you can be seated by 8:50 to receive instruction prior to the service going live.
- Social Distancing (Using Spacer Piping in pews).
- Ushers Stationed Along Your Way In (greeting you & directing you to your seating).
- Once Seated Maintain Seating Until Directed By Ushers (Note: If You Need to Leave Service for Any Reason Request Help from an Usher by simply raising your hand).
- Communion Received At Outdoor Station As You Leave.
- Please Do Not Group In the Parking Lot.
- Photographs will be taken to Identify attendee proximity in case issues occur. *(If after attending worship you learn that you may have had exposure to Covid-19 prior to your attending notify one of the Pastors ASAP).*