

Detailed Plan for UMCW Socially-Distanced Indoor Worship Service

Location: Sanctuary.

- All common items and hard surfaces within the church will be cleaned between services. Special attention will be given to doors, bathrooms, and light switches shortly before the service. Note that our sanctuary has very little traffic during the week and that the COVID-19 virus has not been shown to last more than 5 days on most surfaces.
- Prior to the church service, the heat will be turned on to warm the building. As the congregation arrives, the heat will be turned off to minimize the recirculation of air.

Safety Guidelines:

- Arrival
 - Families are encouraged to arrive together (in one vehicle, if possible) to help with limited parking and to facilitate efficient and safe seating of your group.
 - The congregation will enter only through the main exterior door.
 - Upon entering the church, the congregation will not be allowed to turn left unless they are heading up to the balcony. Upon entering the sanctuary, congregants will proceed to the front of the church and then down the middle or left side aisle to choose seats. (See attached diagram)
- Seating
 - Every other row of pews will be blocked and not used for the service. This is to maintain the required 6 foot distance between the people sitting in front of and behind you.
 - All pews will have 6 feet of their middle section roped off. This is to ensure 6 feet between non-household members who sit in the same pew. Note: a large single household can take up a whole pew if desired. But no other people may sit in that pew with them since 6 feet of separation cannot be marked or assured.
 - The same basic blocking method will be used in the balcony and rear overflow area.
- At the end of the service
 - You may exit via any door convenient to you. Please do your best to maintain 6 feet of spacing but we realize that is not always possible. You are required to wear masks at all times until you are outside and away from the building.
 - If you are sitting near the front of the church but want to exit via the rear, if possible, let the rear of the church exit first.
 - There will be no congregating in the sanctuary or anywhere in the church. Please move outside and away from the exits before holding conversations with anyone. And always do your best to maintain social distancing and allowing others to do the same.
- Offering
 - Congregants encouraged to continue “on-line” giving.
 - Collection plate will be available as you enter the church building (foyer).
- Hand Sanitizer

- Provided as you enter the church building (foyer).; congregants encouraged to bring their own as well.
- Face Coverings/Masks
 - Required for all congregants, service participants and staff.
 - Masks, covering the nose and mouth, are required to be worn at all times.
 - Congregants expected to bring their own face coverings/masks.
- Personal Guidelines
 - Come if you are comfortable and willing to comply with the above guidelines, are physically well, and have not had recent contact with someone with COVID-19 or who displayed symptoms of it.
- Social Distancing
 - All attendees are to adhere to the 6 ft social distancing rules. These rules apply to musicians and service participants as well. The Pastor will maintain a 16 ft distance when speaking/preaching.
- Registration/Attendance Tracking
 - In support of state guidelines for assisting in contact tracing in the event of a COVID-19 case detection, pre-registration is strongly encouraged; this also helps plan for capacity and expedites seating.
 - If you have not or were unable to pre-register, please come anyway. Greeters will take contact information and will assist in seating.
- Signage
 - Signs reviewing the main safety requirements will be posted in the worship area.

Order of Worship:

- The Order of Worship will be emailed and posted on the church website on Saturday evening. No printed bulletins will be available at the service.
- The Worship service will contain no singing by the congregants.

Restrooms:

- The restroom on the main floor of the church will be open and available.
 - Exit out any rear sanctuary door with a goal of passing as few people as possible.
 - When done, please leave the bathroom door open. The bathroom will be stocked with liquid hand soap. Touchless faucets have been added to all restrooms, to there is no longer a need to touch the sink handles or anything else to wet hands.
 - Return to the sanctuary via the same route after washing and/or sanitizing hands.

