

## Outdoor Worship Guidelines

We will be gathering for worship in the parish front yard. Below are some of the guidelines we will be implementing. These are all designed to bring us back together in as safe a way as possible. They follow the Diocesan Guidelines. There will be one service at 10:30 am. We will still be offering an online version of the service for those who cannot join us in person. If you are at high risk or do not yet feel comfortable with gatherings, please join us online. You will still be united with us in scripture and prayer.

**Cloth Face Masks.** Keep our germs to ourselves. Everyone will be asked to bring a face mask and to wear it.

**BYO Chair from Home.** Everyone attending the outdoor services will be responsible for bringing a chair from home. This will cut down on the exposure of those who would otherwise have to set up and take down the chairs.

**Six Feet Apart.** Household groups or solo individuals will be seated six feet apart and asked to remain six feet apart from others at all times while on parish grounds.

**Hold the Handshakes.** For the time being, we will acknowledge each other with waves or other warm gestures, but save the handshakes and hugs for when it is safe again to do.

**Bring your own Leaflet.** The leaflet will be emailed out and posted on the website as it has been for the virtual services. You can either print your own at home or view it on your device. This will eliminate the passing and sharing of paper.

**Inclement Weather?** Each Saturday, a decision will be made regarding the weather. If the service is canceled, an email will be sent out, and a message will be posted on Facebook. Make sure to keep on the lookout.

**Bathrooms will be open.** The only access to the building will be for the use of the restrooms. Please allow for plenty of social distancing if you are in the building with another parishioner. The bathrooms will be sanitized at the end of each service.

**Morning Prayer for now.** We will continue to feast on the prayers and Holy Scripture of Morning Prayer together. We will keep re-evaluating our area's current condition regarding the virus and when it is appropriate to resume the Eucharist.

**No Coffee hour yet.** As much as we all enjoy being in each other's company at coffee hour, we are not at the point where we can bring them back. For those interested, we could set up a zoom coffee hour and or other zoom events.

**Children.** Due to social distancing, we will not be offering - at this time - a nursery or in-person Sunday School. Children are welcome to attend worship but are asked to follow the same social distancing guidelines of wearing a mask and keeping 6 feet apart from non-family members. If you have question, please reach out to Father Andrew.

**Ushers.** Due to social distancing, our ushers will not be able to assist anyone who might need help navigating uneven ground or carrying a chair. Please keep this in mind when deciding to attend.

I know that we will all do our part to keep each other safe. These measures are taken to bring us safely back together. They are just the first step of many we as a loving and worshiping community will be taking. There may be some bumps in the road, and some of it may feel strange at first. But we do it all out of love for one another. We do it all because Jesus has called us together in his self-giving and self-sacrificing love.

We will continue to review and refine this together. Our chief priority is the safety of the community and worshiping God together.