

Regathering Information and Instructions

Registration:

- Until physical distancing restrictions are lifted, we have limited seating available in the auditorium. That said, each week, we will ask everyone to register for the worship service so we can plan and assign seats.
- Please be aware that due to seating capacity, you may be asked to view the live stream in an overflow seating room.

What to know before you get to church:

- Each person has a responsibility to look out for the welfare of others. Therefore, if you are feeling sick in any way, please stay home. [According to the CDC](#), symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. People with these symptoms or combinations of symptoms may have COVID-19: fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, or diarrhea. Please closely evaluate the state of your own health before arriving to the church building.
- We understand that the decision of when and how you re-enter society is a personal one, and we understand if you don't feel ready to return to church just yet.
- We won't have any print material available on Sunday morning (Bibles, bulletins, hymnals, etc.). Please bring your Bible, sermon notes (click [HERE](#) to view and print), and writing utensils with you, and be sure to take them with you when you leave. Parents, please also be sure to bring the kids and/or middle school listening guides (click [HERE](#) to view and print), as well as any other materials that will be helpful, with you on Sunday.

Arrive Early:

- Please arrive no later than 10:15 a.m. to allow time for any queue and orderly seating.
- Everyone will enter the building through the long awning door.
- A greeter will be at the long awning door to direct the queue, answer any questions, and give instructions about the building.

Masking Protection:

- Masks are required to enter the building and at all times inside for everyone aged Kindergarten and up.
- Any child who has not reached Kindergarten is not required to wear a mask.

Please Avoid Personal Contact:

- Please remember that we can't shake hands, hug, or greet each other in ways that break physical distance.

Social Distancing:

- Please maintain social distancing of six feet while on the church property. Members of the same household may stay together.
- Once inside the building, follow the markings on the floor to the lobby.
- Please keep all belongings like jackets and umbrellas with you.
- We will assign seats before the service, and an usher will direct you to your seat.

- If at all possible, please stay in your seats for the whole service.
- After the service, ushers will dismiss by rows.
- You will exit the auditorium through the front door by the organ and exit the building through the short awning door.
- We will all likely want to catch up with people, but please wait until you're outside the building. Be mindful to not block the exit as you leave.

Frequently Asked Questions

1. Will our online live stream continue?

Yes, we will continue the live stream service at least until the time when we can all safely meet together.

2. I'm in the vulnerable population category. May I attend these services?

Yes! We do want to emphasize, however, that the CDC [identifies](#) older adults and people of any age with certain underlying medical conditions as being at an increased risk of severe illness from COVID-19. Therefore, if you choose to attend an in-person worship service, please follow the link above to make yourself aware of those who are at increased risk for severe illness due to COVID-19, learn more about reducing your risk of getting COVID-19, etc.

3. Can I bring my children with me?

Yes! Please keep in mind that children must remain with their parent/guardian at all times. During the worship service, we normally offer childcare for infants and toddlers and Children's Church for kids ages four through kindergarten, but those are discontinued for now. All Children's Ministry rooms and bathrooms will be closed.

4. Which bathrooms can I use?

The bathrooms in the middle of the building will be open, and all others will be closed. There is a changing table in the women's bathroom. Please be mindful to maintain social distancing of six feet even in the bathrooms.

We encourage everyone to avoid using the bathrooms if possible. If you need to do so, we recommend using a paper towel to open the door as you exit to avoid touching the door. Hand sanitizer will be stationed outside the bathrooms. Bathrooms will be cleaned in regular weekly cleaning.

5. When will we all be able to worship together?

We are currently limited by the social distancing requirement of six feet. As that requirement is lifted/modified, we will be able to fit more and more people in the auditorium until we're all able to worship there together.

6. Can we use the building for community groups, church events, or other ministry activities?

The Return Team and the elders are continuing to evaluate the usage of the building for Bethel events outside of the Sunday morning Worship Service. In the meantime, please see our [Community Group Guidance](#) document, which provides guidelines (based on [state](#)

[guidance](#)) and ideas for in-person Community Group meetings (and other Bethel group meetings) outside and in homes.

7. What additional cleaning is happening in the church building?

The building will be cleaned throughout the week and sanitized every Monday.

8. Will we be able to celebrate communion in person?

Yes! We are currently celebrating communion together (in person and virtually) on the first Sunday of each month.

9. How can I serve?

If you would like to learn more about ways you can serve, please reach out to Tyler Miller at tylermiller@bbcde.org.