This Sunday we will be returning to in-person worship within the church sanctuary. We will have our traditional 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Holy Communion liturgies. At each of these services, there can be no more than 50 people including the ministers.

We will be continuing our Zoom Sunday Worship service at 1:00 p.m. As has been the practice, 15 minutes before the service begins there will be music. Then the service begins at 1:00 p.m. promptly on Zoom and is live streamed on Facebook.

If you are planning to attend either of the in-person services, please be aware of the following:

1. As you move from the parking lot, there are chalk lines six feet apart on the sidewalk leading to the church. These are for social distancing purposes. Please observe them as you proceed to church’s entrance.
2. Face masks must be worn. Due to the generosity of Ruth Galvin and Karen Hatfield, face masks are available in the narthex if you do not have one. If you need one, go ahead and look over the selection and choose the one you want without touching the other. They are located on a table in the middle of the narthex.
3. Ushers will be giving out the Order of Worship. As you leave the service, please place your Order of Worship in the designated waste as you leave. They cannot be reused.
4. The ushers will not be collecting the offering but an offering plate will be placed in a prominent place for your contribution.
5. At Communion, the ushers will point at you to come and receive Communion. Please remain seated until you are invited by the usher.
6. As you leave, the ushers will dismiss everyone so as to practice social distancing. Therefore, please wait until the ushers notify you for your time to leave.

We know this is a lot. It is done to maintain a healthy environment. We do not want anyone to become infected.

If you attend via Zoom, you are invited to have a home communion packet. The packet contains a pyx (Communion container) with hosts within it, a letter explaining how to use the hosts during the Zoom service, and a copy of “Communion Under Special Circumstances” in case you want to have a home Communion service. Just let me know.

I look forward to the day when we are all able to be together again as we worship and open up Coffee Hour for fellowship! Lord God, may that day come soon.

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