



## **A STAGED, SOCIALLY RESPONSIBLE PLAN FOR REOPENING FAITH MINISTRIES**

Helping people worship safely by significantly increasing the number and nature of our worship services. Our goal is to minister effectively to each person's soul while carefully protecting their bodies.

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MINISTRIES

# A NEW APPROACH FOR A NEW SEASON

The COVID-19 pandemic has made an indelible impact on men and women around the world. As followers of Jesus Christ, we join with the Psalmist in affirming *“Let all who take refuge in You be glad, let them ever sing for joy; and may You shelter them, that those who love Your name may exult in You.”*

We believe it is always important for our church family to joyfully submit to our government and healthcare leaders’ instructions. On March 12, we canceled our public worship services and associated ministries and have done our best to continue ministry using methods that protect the health and well-being of everyone in our church and community.

Now that the governor is allowing churches to meet again, Faith is operating with the following priorities in mind:

- Honor and glorify God in all we say and do.
- Protect the health and safety of all in our church family and community.
- Err on the side of safety when making all decisions.
- Reopen our ministries slowly in a carefully staged manner.
- Be flexible as conditions ebb and flow over the next several months.

The beauty of our situation is that the number of meeting rooms and staff members the Lord has given us allows us to worship while practicing appropriate social distancing and providing a variety of ministry settings for people with different health needs and concerns.

Some of the immediate changes at all our campuses include:

- We encourage seniors and those with health conditions that put them at higher risk for contracting the virus to remain at home and continue worshiping with us online.
- If you wish to join us for onsite services, please sign up at [faithlafayette.org/servicetickets](https://faithlafayette.org/servicetickets) each week. Registration will open on Sundays at 3:00 PM and will close on Saturdays at 3:00 PM.
- If you are not feeling well or are experiencing symptoms of illness, please remain at home.
- Please, no shaking hands or physical touch.
- Bulletins and sermon handouts will be available online—printed copies will not be distributed.
- BYOB – “Bring Your Own Bible.” To prevent cross-transmission, we have removed the general-use Bibles under the chairs.
- BYOC – “Bring Your Own Coffee.” We will not have coffee stations.
- To prevent cross-transmission, we will not pass items like offering plates or communion trays. Offerings may be placed in a box at the welcome desk of each campus.
- Children’s ministries only for children under the age of 2.
- Chairs in all venues will be socially-distanced. Families living in the same home may sit together.
- ABFs will meet online only.

A variety of worship services will be offered at each of our campuses. Details about the services available at the campus you attend may be found on the following pages. They include options for:

- Lower-risk adults and teens
- Higher-risk individuals
- Lower-risk families with children
- Those who prefer to worship at home via online services

The following pages provide more details about each of these services. Over time as testing for COVID-19 improves and we move closer to a vaccine, in consultation with our church’s health professionals, we plan to slowly begin providing many of the ministries that we offered before the pandemic began.

Feel free to communicate if there are ways we can serve you and those you love more effectively. We look forward to the day when a safe vaccine is developed so we can return to more normal church life.

# FAITH EAST

In addition to our online services, we will offer 9 different onsite services at Faith East. Please register to attend onsite services at [faithlafayette.org/servicetickets](https://faithlafayette.org/servicetickets).

## **SERVICES FOR LOWER-RISK ADULTS AND TEENS | AUDITORIUM | 8:00, 9:30, & 11:00 AM‡**

- Service participants should enter the building using the main entrance under the canopy. Persons with disabilities may use the south entrance.
- Seating will be disinfected and arranged in socially-distanced clusters. Members of the same household may sit together.
- This service will be livestreamed at 8:00 AM and will be made available on-demand thereafter.

## **SERVICES FOR LOWER-RISK FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN | CHURCH GYM | 8:15, 9:45, & 11:15 AM‡**

- These services will serve families with children 5<sup>th</sup> grade and under.
- Service participants should enter the church using the flagpole entrance on the east side of the building or the north entrance. Those placing children in the nursery may use the main entrance on the east side under the canopy. Persons with disabilities may use the south entrance.
- Families will sit together in disinfected, socially-distanced seating clusters.

## **SERVICES FOR HIGHER-RISK INDIVIDUALS | BAND ROOM | 8:30, 10:00, & 11:30 AM‡**

- These services will serve those taking extra precautions in public spaces.
- Service participants should enter the church using the doors on the west side of the building before proceeding to the Band Room. We recommend that persons with disabilities also use the west side entrances. Those placing children in the nursery may use the main entrance on the east side under the canopy.
- Service participants will be required to provide and wear a mask.
- Seating will be disinfected and arranged in socially-distanced clusters. Members of the same household may sit together.

## **ONLINE WORSHIP | SUNDAYS AT 8:00 AM OR ON-DEMAND**

- For those who wish to worship from home, we will continue to make our auditorium services available through a variety of channels.
- Services can be accessed live on Sunday at 8:00 AM or on-demand thereafter.
- Learn more about the options at [faithlafayette.org/streaming](https://faithlafayette.org/streaming).

‡ Childcare will be provided for children under the age of 2 in the church nursery.



# SUNDAY SERVICES



## FAITH WEST

In addition to online services, Faith West will offer a variety of onsite ministries. Please register to attend onsite services at [faithlafayette.org/servicetickets](https://faithlafayette.org/servicetickets).

### **SERVICES FOR LOWER-RISK ADULTS AND FAMILIES | MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM | 9:30 & 11:00 AM‡**

- Seating will be disinfected and arranged in socially-distanced clusters. Members of the same household may sit together.
- Children under parent supervision are welcome to attend these services.

### **SERVICES FOR HIGHER-RISK INDIVIDUALS | PBF ROOM | 9:45 & 11:15 AM‡**

- These services will serve those taking extra precautions in public spaces.
- Service participants should enter and exit using the door to the PBF Room, located at the north end of the building.
- Service participants will be required to provide and wear a mask.
- Seating will be disinfected and arranged in socially-distanced clusters. Members of the same household may sit together.

### **INTERNATIONAL MINISTRIES | SMALL MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM & STUDY LOUNGE | 9:30 AM‡**

- Socially-distanced conversation partners may meet in study rooms 1-6 at 9:30.
- Socially-distanced 1-on-1 ministries will meet in select preschool rooms and the small multi-purpose room at 9:30 AM.

### **ONLINE WORSHIP | SUNDAYS AT 8:00 AM OR ON-DEMAND**

- For those who wish to worship from home, we will continue to make our Faith East auditorium services available through a variety of channels.
- Services can be accessed live on Sunday at 8:00 AM or on-demand thereafter.
- Learn more about the options at [faithlafayette.org/streaming](https://faithlafayette.org/streaming).

‡ Childcare will be provided for children under the age of 2 in the preschool's purple and blue rooms.

# FAITH NORTH

In addition to our online services, we will offer 5 different onsite services at Faith North. Please register to attend onsite services at [faithlafayette.org/servicetickets](https://faithlafayette.org/servicetickets).

## **SERVICES FOR LOWER-RISK ADULTS AND FAMILIES | SCHEUMANN GYM | 9:30 & 11:00 AM‡**

- Service participants should enter and exit using the gym's main entrance.
- Seating will be disinfected and arranged in socially-distanced clusters. Members of the same household may sit together.

## **SERVICES FOR HIGHER-RISK INDIVIDUALS | VINTON ROOM | 9:45 & 11:15 AM‡**

- These services will serve those taking extra precautions in public spaces.
- The Vinton Room is located on the second floor. Service participants can access the second floor using the main stairwell near the Senior Center.
- All interior doors will remain open to allow for no-touch access.
- Service participants will be required to provide and wear a mask.
- Seating will be disinfected and arranged in socially-distanced clusters. Members of the same household may sit together.

## **SERVICE FOR SPANISH-SPEAKERS | MONON ROOMS | 11:00 AM‡**

- The Monon Rooms are located on the second floor. Service participants can access the second floor by using the south stairwell in the fitness hallway.
- All interior doors will remain open to allow for no-touch access.
- Seating will be disinfected prior to each service and arranged in socially-distanced clusters. Members of the same household may sit together.

## **SERVICIO EN ESPAÑOL | SALÓN MONON | 11:00 AM‡**

- El salón "Monon" está ubicado en el segundo nivel. Los asistentes pueden acceder el salón usando el área de las escaleras del lado sur del edificio, por el pasillo entre el área de ejercicios y la piscina.
- Todas las puertas interiores permanecerán abiertas para facilitar el libre tránsito sin tener que tocarlas.
- Los asientos se desinfectarán y se organizarán manteniendo la distancia social entre los grupos, de modo que las personas de un mismo hogar puedan sentarse juntos.

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- Services can be accessed live on Sunday at 8:00 AM or on-demand thereafter.
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‡ Childcare will be provided for children under the age of 2 in Bauer Room 3.



## MINISTRY TO THE MOST VULNERABLE



Caring for those in vulnerable groups is one of our chief concerns. To serve those who may need special care we offer the following:

- Online worship services
- Audio worship services at (855) 536-7638
- DVD recordings of worship service or printed copies of sermon notes delivered to those without internet access
- Regular phone calls
- Pastoral porch visits by request
- Video conference counseling, mentoring, and consultation by request.

If you or someone you love is in need of these or other services, please contact one of our pastors or deacons, or call our church office at (765) 448-1986.

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

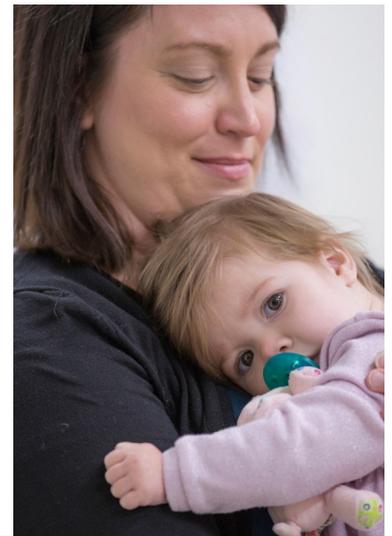
The health and safety of the children and servants participating in our Children's Ministries is our highest priority. As our ministries reopen, we will seek to serve families by offering care for children under the age of 2.

### Times and locations

- Faith East – Church Nursery | 7:45 AM to 12:30 PM
- Faith West – Purple Rm (0-6 mos) | Blue Rm (6-23 mos) | 9:15 AM to 12:30 PM
- Faith North – Bauer Rm 3 | 9:15 AM to 12:30 PM

### What you can expect

- Childcare spaces, supplies, and toys will be disinfected regularly.
- Room occupancy will be limited to 8 individuals.
- All servants will wear protective masks.
- A ministry coordinator wearing protective gloves will check in all families, providing parents and children with nametags.
- As families enter, they will be asked to answer the following questions:
  - Has your child been fever-free for 24 hours?
  - Has your child been exposed to anyone that has been sick recently?
  - Does your child have a persistent cough?
  - Have your child's hands been washed or sanitized since entering the building?
- In addition, temperature scans will be taken for all children and servants entering the space.
- Anyone with a temperature higher than 100 degrees, a persistent cough, or recent exposure to illness will not be admitted.



# SHARING HOPE THROUGH GOD'S TRUTH



## COMMUNITY COUNSELING

- While we are not meeting in person, our counseling ministry is currently open and offering virtual counseling through a variety of video conferencing platforms.
- Those who desire to receive biblical counseling may sign up online at [faithlafayette.org/counseling#free](https://faithlafayette.org/counseling#free)
- Members of our church family who request counseling will not be placed on a waiting list and will receive counseling quickly.



## VISION OF HOPE AND RESTORATION

- Vision of Hope and Restoration are open.
- Those desiring to enter our residential programs can apply online.
- Prospective residents of Vision of Hope may apply at [faithlafayette.org/voh](https://faithlafayette.org/voh).
- Those desiring to receive residential counseling through Restoration Men's Ministry should apply online by visiting [faithlafayette.org/restoration](https://faithlafayette.org/restoration).



## TRAINING MINISTRIES

- We are currently offering biblical counseling training through our Monday training program and spring regional conferences. Both ministries will conclude soon.
- We plan to offer our summer Monday training and our fall regional conferences even if delivery methods may be different.
- Those interested in receiving counseling training this summer should visit [faithlafayette.org/counseling/training/monday-training](https://faithlafayette.org/counseling/training/monday-training).



## 2021 BIBLICAL COUNSELING TRAINING CONFERENCE

- We are developing plans for the 2021 Biblical Counseling Training Conference.
- We are considering contingencies that depend on the status of the virus.
- A series of decisions will be made by September 1, 2020.

# COUNSELING

## SERVING OUR NEIGHBORS

### GENERAL FACILITY INFORMATION

- Our top priority is to safely offer public access to the Faith East, Faith West, and Northend Community Centers while promoting the practice of social distancing.
- We will seek to maintain high levels of cleanliness and disinfection.
- When necessary, we will remind guests of the need for appropriate social distancing and hygiene.
- Revised hours of operation beginning May 25: 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM (M-F); 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM (Sat); 1:00 PM to 6:00 PM (Sun)

### FITNESS CENTERS

- Access to fitness centers will be limited to 25 guests at a time.‡
- Day passes will be sold as capacity allows.
- Cardio machines will be made available per social distancing guidelines.
- Fitness classes will be open with class size limitations.
- Fitness childcare will remain closed.
- The Faith East and Northend walking tracks will be open to the public with a guest limit of 25 walkers.

### GYMNASIUMS

- We will not offer open gym times for the use of the general public.
- We will not schedule league activities or organized games.

### NORTHEND POOL

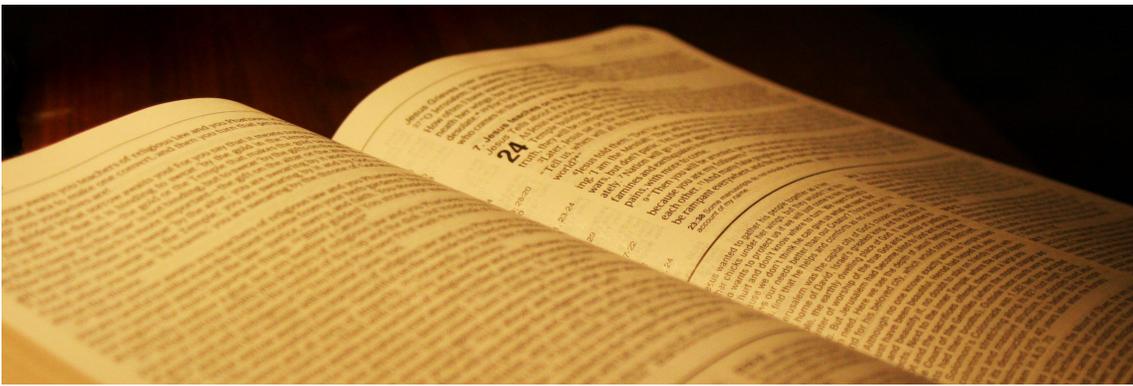
- Access to the pool will be limited to 25 guests at a time.‡
- Aquacise classes will be open with class size limitations.

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Family Fun Nights on Fridays will be discontinued until further notice.
- Play Space at the Northend and Oasis Park at Faith East will remain closed.
- Loitering in the foyer and common areas will not be permitted. Select spaces may be opened if social distancing between guests can be maintained.
- Room reservations will be made available per request beginning June 1.‡

‡ Guest limitations will be based on the most restrictive of federal, state, or local guidelines.





## OVERCOMING FEAR AND WORRY

Today's world is filled with many unanswered questions about the future. In days like these, we need the dependable guidance of unchanging truth. This summer, we will seek direction from God's Word to help us confidently navigate these uncertain times. Please encourage others to join us for this 12-week sermon series designed to help you overcome fear and worry.

DATE	TITLE	TEXT
May 31	Don't Worry Because God Cares For You	Matthew 6:25-34
June 7	Depend on God's Powerful Provision	Exodus 16 and John 6:1-15
June 14	Powerful Promises	2 Peter 1:3-11
June 21	Faith of a Father	Genesis 22
June 28	Pray When You Are Panicked	Philippians 4:4-9
July 5	God's Power When Facing Life's Pits	Daniel 6
July 12	Be Strong and Courageous	Joshua 1:1-9
July 19	Know the Victory Belongs to the Lord	1 Samuel 17
July 26	Hope in God's Comfort	2 Corinthians 1:3-11
August 2	Christ's Comfort in Life's Losses	John 11:1-44
August 9	Finding a Fortress When We Fear	Psalms 46
August 16	Rest in a Restless World	Matthew 11:28-30



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