

## COVID-19 RESPONSE

Here at Harvest we are taking the COVID-19 threat very seriously and are responding accordingly with new safety, social, and cleaning guidelines and protocols in an effort to make our facility as clean and safe as we can for you and your family to begin attending worship services again on campus! Here's a list of things we've done and are committed to doing in this new season:

### Face masks:

- As of June 24, 2020 wearing a face mask in public is required by NC law in situations where social distancing is not possible. Due to the size of our facilities and the layout of our property, as well as our limited attendance at each service, we feel confident that we are able to provide an environment where social distancing is possible and masks are not *required*. However, we encourage you to do what makes you and your family feel most safe and comfortable.
- We are requiring all of our staff and volunteers to wear masks before and after services while in closer proximity to others. We are also requiring all of our kids ministry volunteers to wear masks.

### Social Distancing:

We will be practicing social distancing during our services including spacing in the lobby and in the sanctuary.

- We're encouraging long distance waving and avoiding hugs, handshakes, or high fives for now.
- The lobby will not be used for gathering during this time but to move individuals and families from the front doors to the sanctuary entrances. Our new mantra: "The parking lot is the new lobby"
- Seating in the sanctuary will be every other row with 4 empty chairs on each row in between families.
- Everyone will wait to be seated by an usher much like when dining in a restaurant.

### Kids & Student Ministries:

- We are now offering Kids and Student ministries during our **11:00 am service only**. This includes Element Youth (7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>), J12 (5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>), Harvest Kids (1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup>), and Early Childhood with rooms for 1 – 2 year olds and 3 – 5 year olds.
- Element Youth and J12 will begin in the sanctuary with their families and then will be dismissed to their classes after worship.
- Online content will still be posted to our Facebook page and YouTube Channel every Sunday morning.

### Touchless:

We have made some changes in attempts to make our building more 'touchless'.

- We have automatic hand sanitizer dispensers placed throughout the building and in every classroom.
- We have installed automatic sink faucets and soap dispensers in all of the bathrooms
- We will no longer be passing offering baskets and have instead installed secured drop boxes at the entrances to the sanctuary for those desiring to give using cash or check (online giving is still available)

### Cleaning:

- We will be cleaning and wiping down all communal surfaces in between services on Sundays including door handles and bathroom countertops.
- We will be stepping up our cleaning efforts during the week in between gatherings for improved cleaning, disinfecting, and sanitizing.

### Hospitality:

- At this time, we will not be offering hospitality on Sunday mornings. This is only 'for now, not forever'
- We encourage you to bring your own coffee or water from home in a container with a secure lid to help minimize spills and stains.

### Wednesday Night Services:

- At this time, we are taking a temporary break from Wednesday night services.