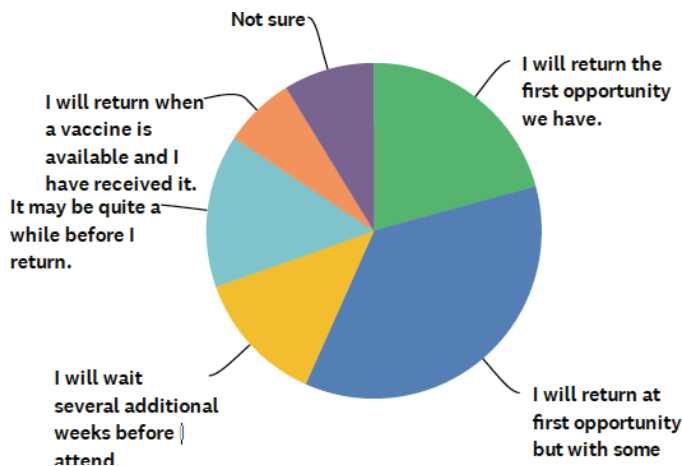


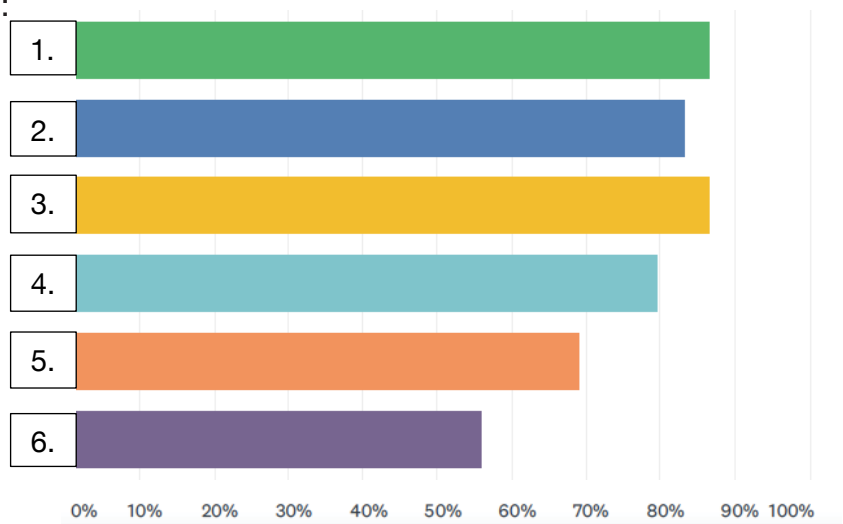
Re-Opening Survey Results

In August you were sent an survey through your email in our weekly e-blast. We asked many questions in order to get a feel for where our congregation is at when thinking about “re-opening.” When asked what your attitude was toward returning to worship, the majority said they will return the first opportunity but with some concerns and precautions (see chart below). When asking a similar question about Sunday School and Small Groups, over half of you said you would return if they were outdoor or small numbers with social distance. Per the Governor & Bishop’s guidelines, we cannot currently open back up for worship with more than 25 people. Therefore, we plan to only open back up for smaller groups and events until further notice. Many Small Groups will stay online and some will have a hybrid option of both zoom and in person meetings. We recently had a successful Youth event that was social distanced and are beginning to plan other age level events than can be safely held on campus. We are continuing to have “drive thru” opportunities, such as communion, and of course have Zoom opportunities, such as meeting your pastor, (you can still sign up)!



When asking what precautions you plan to take when coming back to FUMC, Over half of you said you would do the following (see chart on right):

1. **Wear a face covering**
2. **Keep at least 6 feet distance from others (Except for your own family)**
3. **Avoid shaking hands**
4. **Avoid any physical Contact**
5. **Avoid crowded hallways**
6. **Bring/Use hand sanitizer**



You were then asked what precautions that you expect us as a staff to make. Over half of you said “yes” to the following:

- Limit Handouts
- Use a new method for distributing communion
- Use a new method for collecting offerings
- Encourage Social Distance
- Prop doors so less touching of the handles
- Provide hand sanitizer stations
- Encourage no physical contact
- Set-up one way foot traffic entering and exiting the buildings

We will be putting into place all of these changes along with extra cleaning, continued online worship and small group offerings (even when back in person), take temperatures of everyone entering the building, etc...

Thank you for taking a part in this survey. You can see the full results at fumcgastonia.org/survey

