



November 22, 2020

MCC Family,

The number of COVID-19 cases and deaths in our local area have continued to rise. It is a concern that upcoming holiday travel might further escalate that trend. For this reason, the Session believes it is prudent to enter back into the **Yellow Phase** of our COVID response, starting on **November 29th, 2020**. For the most part, this will change very little to how we have been worshipping in-person at MCC, save the following adjustments:

1. Our nursery and children's worship ministry will not be offered during our yellow phase. However, our nurseries will be available for families to use and monitor themselves. Please sign in and place any used toys in the designated container before leaving. Please wash hands when entering and leaving the nursery areas. Crayons and coloring bulletins for children will be made available for use during the worship service.
2. We will not serve communion during our yellow phase.
3. We will remove the medical exemption for face masks during the yellow phase.

Small groups may continue to meet while wearing face masks and maintaining social distance practices.

We will continue to require the wearing of face masks and encourage sitting separately from other families that you are not in regular contact with.

The Session will meet the second week of December and reassess whether or not we should return to our Green Phase.

At this time, it is not our intention to return to our all virtual **red phase**, except in the event that there is a positive case of COVID-19 among someone who attended one of our worship services, in-person.

If you test positive for COVID-19 after attending one of our worship services in-person, please send us an email at office@murrysvillechurch.com or let us know by phone at 724.327.8411. We promise to keep all such reporting anonymous.

Should one person test positive after attending one of our worship services in-person, we will immediately enter into our **Red Phase for one week**.

Please pray for the most vulnerable in our church and community at this time. Pray for our police, EMT specialists, various first responders, doctors, nurses, and other medical professionals that are serving at great personal risk to themselves. And please pray for one another as we persevere through this exceedingly difficult moment together.

As always, please reach out to me or the Session with any questions or concerns that you have.

Grace,

Pastor Jason