



Mask Mandatory Zone | A New Opportunity

We are excited to announce a new opportunity that will be available starting Sunday, November 1 during our 11am Service.

We will be using our Dining Hall as a “Mask Mandatory Zone,” where masks will be required and seating will continue to be spaced 6’ apart. Our 11am service will be shown LIVE, providing an opportunity for those who are not only more comfortable wearing a mask, but also only being around those who are, to engage in worship and the service alongside one another.

WHY? It has come to our attention that we have several individuals and families that feel this way, and we want to make sure we are doing everything we can to provide a space for everyone to worship together. We have not enforced masks to attend since reopening, as we did not believe that was something God was leading us to do. But we absolutely believe in the importance of gathering together physically and see this as an opportunity to reach more people in this season. We cannot place enough importance on the power that is present when believers come together in one space to worship alongside one another. We know this season has brought many changes to much of what we do, but we must continue to follow God’s Word which very clearly tells us, “This is not the time to pull away and neglect meeting together, as some have formed the habit of doing, because we need each other! In fact, we should come together even more frequently, eager to encourage and urge each other onward as we anticipate that day dawning.” Hebrews 10:25 TPT

A FEW QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE:

Q. Will masks actually be enforced/required in the Dining Hall?

A. Yes. As explained above, this “zone” will be a specific space in our Dining Hall where masks WILL be required for anyone to enter, including Staff and Volunteers.

Q. Is there a specific entrance and/or restroom I should use?

A. You are welcome to enter any main entrance and use any restroom, but if you prefer not passing through any other area of our building, our Back Lobby is the closest access to our Dining Hall. The restrooms located through the back Dining Hall doors, between the Theater and Cafe, will also be open for you to use.

Q. If I want to wear a mask, do I HAVE to sit in the Dining Hall now?

A. No! If you wear a mask but prefer still sitting in our Sanctuary, you are absolutely still welcome. We do not want this “zone” to be a space you have to go to, we want it to be a space you can go to if it helps you. We have several families and individuals who do wear masks every week, and we continue to encourage everyone, regardless of your own choices, to respect and love one another. We never want to make anyone feel uncomfortable regarding whether or not they are wearing a mask. This is an awkward, uncomfortable, and for many a fearful season and we want everyone to remember that we are all doing our best to navigate through it — so let’s continue to do so together and in love!

Q. Will my kids be welcome to sit with me in this “Mask Mandatory” Dining Hall Zone?

A. Yes! They would also be required to wear masks while in the Dining Hall with you. As a reminder, our LifeKIDZ classes will always be open and available to your kiddos whether they wear masks or not. If you do decide to have your children attend LifeKIDZ, our teams are also willing to put on masks themselves if a family or child wearing one feels more comfortable.

Q. Even though masks are not required in the Sanctuary and other spaces of the building, what else are you doing to keep things clean?

A. We alternate every other row of seating between each service: one set is marked for 9am and the other for 11am. We also rotate classrooms for LifeKIDZ: one set for 9am and another for 11am. Between services, a team sanitizes the Sanctuary pews and handrails as well as all high touch points like door handles, faucets, and counters. We also deep clean our building, including sanitizing fabrics, every week. We have multiple hand sanitizer stations located throughout the building, and we are in the process of installing a REME HALO system, which is an in-duct air purifier proven to kill 99% of bacteria, mold, and viruses.

Q. If I have any other questions or concerns, who could I reach out to?

A. You can DM us on Instagram or Facebook, email us at info@wordoflife.church, or call our Office at 724-837-8790.