

Covid Protocols for Colonial Heights Presbyterian Church
Updated: December 20th, 2021

Sunday Worship:

- Masks are to be worn at all times for worship. Masks may be removed when outside.
- Worship leaders, including soloist in the choir, may remove their masks when necessary to perform their various roles. Music and choral practice may continue on Wednesdays.
- Sunday School classes may resume. The Disciples Sunday School meets in room 218 and the Reformed Remnant meets in room 221. Children's Sunday School returns in their regular rooms with Children's Church in the children's connection space.
- Any congregational activity involving food and drink, such as the pre-service gathering time or a post service meal, should be held outside at this time.
- Individuals that are not feeling well for any reason are encouraged to worship online via the livestream. These measures are set forth to mitigate risks as best as possible.

Ministering Throughout the Week:

- Church property may be used for the various ministry needs of church and its supported partners. Social distancing is strongly encouraged throughout the campus. The church office **must** be informed of any request in order to ensure proper cleaning.
- The Youth Suite's large room shall be made available for any ministry teams that wish to use meet in that area. It will need to be temporarily reorganized to create a hospitable atmosphere. The Pavilion will also remain available for any outdoor gatherings.
- Hybrid options for various meetings should be offered as well for those who desire.
- All individuals are to wear masks when entering, exiting, and moving throughout the facility especially in areas where social distancing is not possible.
- CDC guidelines allow for fully vaccinated individuals to safely participate during indoor gatherings without wearing a mask. Small groups of individuals may adhere to an "honor" system that allows those who are fully vaccinated to remove their masks based upon the group's comfort level and proper social distancing. Individuals who are not yet fully vaccinated are asked to please continue wearing their mask as all times.
- Masks are not required when outside on the property.

Specific Ministries:

- **CHPC Youth:** CHPC's Youth program may use the youth suit for programmatic needs.
- **Day School:** The day school's operations continue to follow CDC guidelines. Those who are unvaccinated are asked to mask whenever they are in areas used by the Day School.
- **Scouts:** All Scout Troops may continue to operate on site in the gym and Jones building. Masks are to be worn when inside the facility. Patrols or small groups may utilize the upstairs rooms with social distancing in effect. A disinfectant procedure will be followed to clean the gym, Jones building, classrooms, and restrooms after use by the troop.
- **AA:** AA may continue to meet within the upstairs of the Jones building. Masks must be worn at all times and the space should be cleaned after use.

The next scheduled meeting of the Covid Task force will be on Wednesday, January 12th, at 5:45pm with the purpose of reviewing procedures after the holidays.