

To: Figueroa Church of Christ Leadership
From: The COVID-19 Reopening Team
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Subject: Church Reopening

Through prayer and guidance by the Holy Spirit, the Reopening Team is evaluating the needs of reassembly and what is best for all saints. There is much to consider when we reopen the Church doors and want to remind you that this pandemic is an evolving situation—the plans we make today could change depending on new information and circumstances.

The CDC, local, and state governments have developed a comprehensive list of health and safety guidelines that we will adhere to as a congregation. We realize there are differences of opinion regarding how best to move forward as a society, even among faithful followers of Christ, but we will use the guidelines as a road map to keep everyone safe. In the midst of these realities, we want to encourage everyone to be patient and kind to one another (1 Corinthians 13:4). Our Lord commands us to love one another for that is how we will show the world the truth of God's love (John 13:35).

The Reopening Team is broken up into sub-groups to assess needs of a new model of worship service. For example, the security and logistics team is charged with retrofitting restrooms to meet touchless designs while carefully considering the physical plant and the safety of each individual while on the premises. The medical team will provide equipment and supplies that will assist their efforts in triage and screening of all individuals who enter the building when we are allowed to enter. The Audio/Visual and Information Technology (AV/IT) and Administrative teams serve as conduits among all sub-groups, maintain inventory lists of necessary supplies, and identify gaps in plans and strategic ways to fill them.

The Team is preparing multiple infomercials that will be available on the Church's website and aired before online services begin in the weeks leading up to our reopen date. A set of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) will also be available online, placed in church bulletins, and mailed to each member in the weeks ahead. We do not have authorization to reopen as of yet, however, we will be ready and will notify you of the following activities necessary to reopen:

- Administrative Team will present to Church Leadership;
- Signage installation will take place one week prior to reopening;
- The Team will conduct a walkthrough and leaders are encouraged to attend;
- Professional cleaning and sanitization of the Church building;
- Final Reopening Team walkthrough, and leaders are strongly encouraged to attend;
- Initial reopening will consist of in-person (50 members) worship at our 10:00 am service in the church building using appropriate health and safety guidelines (guided by the CDC and our local and state health departments). We will invite members each week utilizing the church directory beginning with alphabets A through E. We realize this is not ideal, however, we must adhere to the governmental guidelines and this will assist with contact tracing in the event of an illness; and
- Livestream of our 10:00 am service for those staying home will continue. This will be something to consider as our "new normal" even beyond the pandemic.

Thank you for your grace, stay well, and we look forward to meeting with you all soon.