



WHAT ARE WE DOING ABOUT COVID-19

HOW DO WE MAINTAIN SOCIAL DISTANCING IN THE CHURCH BUILDING?

Obviously, a lot of social distancing involves courtesy and common sense. We are instructing our greeters and welcome team to refrain from shaking hands and hugging in order to maintain a safe experience.

We have been encouraging a social distance of 6 ft. while in the building. In our Worship Center we have social distanced the chairs so families of the same household can sit together, while people of different households will sit at least 6 ft. apart.

WILL I BE REQUIRED TO WEAR A FACE COVERING ON SUNDAYS AND AT CHURCH EVENTS?

We understand that masks are NOT convenient and that they are controversial. But wearing a mask is about protecting others. Face coverings are required in indoor/outdoor circumstances where social distancing cannot be maintained. Though there are not penalties or disciplines for removing a mask when at a religious service, Friendship Wesleyan will require the following:

- During our 9:30 and 11 am Sunday morning services, everyone (unless covered by the exemptions below) will be required to wear a face covering until they reach their seat in the Worship Center. While at your seat, you may remove your mask. However: whenever you leave your seat, please put your face covering back on.
- Volunteers or employees who are serving in our Nursery are required to wear a mask while serving. We will return to having Nursery on November 7th, 2020.
- Exemption 1: Children under the age of four years old are not required to wear a face covering. Children age four or older are required to wear a mask until they are checked into a classroom.
- Exemption 2: People who cannot medically tolerate a face covering. Friendship Wesleyan Church is not responsible for medically verifying this.
- Exemption 3: Those who are communicating with someone who is hearing impaired or otherwise disabled and where the ability to see the mouth is essential to communication.
- Exemption 4: Those who are leading, speaking, preaching, praying, singing, or playing an instrument on the stage during a worship service or church event.

Friendship Wesleyan staff and volunteers will be required to wear a mask while serving.

We encourage you to bring your own face coverings, but we will have disposable masks on-hand for your convenience.

WILL THERE BE KIDS' MINISTRIES ON SUNDAY MORNING?

Yes! We do provide kids ministries on Sunday mornings at 9:30am and 11am services. In our ministries there are strict cleaning and disinfecting pre-cautions in place. Also, we have taken every consideration to maintain social distancing while still highly engaging kids in fun and the teaching.

WHAT ARE WE DOING TO MAINTAIN A SAFE AND SANITIZED ENVIRONMENT?

In addition to our normal weekly cleaning procedures, we will be wiping down high traffic areas: door handles, bathrooms, tables, and chairs.

Hand sanitizing stations are set up throughout the church and there are two right outside the Worship Center doors.

We are not passing offering plates, but we do have boxes (one in the lobby and one headed out the Worship Center doors) to drop off tithes and offerings. If you would like to give, please visit our webpage (friendshipwesleyan.org) for contact-less opportunities to do so.

We will also be taking temperatures (via the wrist) to pre-screen those who are attending.

WHAT MEDICAL CRITERIA SHOULD YOU USE TO DECIDE IF YOU SHOULD ATTEND IN PERSON OR ONLINE?

If you are experiencing any of these symptoms during the past 14 days (and it is new to you), we encourage you to worship with us online.

Fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, and diarrhea.

WHAT ENTRANCES AND EXITS SHOULD WE USE?

Once entering our lobby, there is an entrance to our Worship Center immediately to your left. When service has concluded exit doors will be opened opposite the entrance doors to the Worship center. Should you need to use the bathroom or pick up your children, there are exit doors to the left of the entrances doors that will be open for your convenience.

WILL WE HAVE COFFEE OR BEVERAGES AVAILABLE?

For the time being we will not be serving coffee, but we are providing water (in bottles) at the entrance to the Worship Center. There are also sanitized pens available at the same table.