

CCPC IS REOPENING!

CCPC will be reopening our building for in-person worship on Sunday, July 11!

The Session voted Monday night to approve the recommendation from the Reopening Task Force and reopen for worship on July 11. In this phase we will also open Dodds Hall and the outside grounds to CCPC groups like youth group, women's circles, and book clubs. *These meetings must be coordinated with the church office.*

Here are a few of the guidelines that will continue to be in place for now as we reopen the doors:

- Members of the Congregation will be socially distanced 6 feet apart
 - Family units will not have to distance from one another
- We will require masks while in church
- No live singing
- There will be no coffee hour in Dodds Hall, but we will offer outdoor refreshment and fellowship when the weather permits

At the same time we reopen the church, we will be transitioning how we stream our Sunday morning service, continuing to offer an online worship service option. We expect a few bumps in the road as we work to reopen and switch to live streaming. We hope you will hang in there with us as we work to smooth those bumps.

We can't wait to see you all as we return to our beautiful sanctuary!

There are many things to be worked out, but here are some questions we anticipate:

Q: Why aren't we reopening sooner?

A: Reopening the building takes a lot more planning than closing the building. We want to make sure we are doing it in a thoughtful and safe manner. Additionally, the extra time between now and July 11 will give more people (especially those with kids 12-16) time to get fully vaccinated.

Q. Will we have communion?

A. We will have communion but it will be different than in the past. There are individually packed elements that we will use (those who have attended some of the vesper services are familiar with these).

Q. Will we have the passing of the peace?

A. We will still have an opportunity for you to greet fellow worshipers, but it will be socially distant and contactless. Like many parts of worship, there will be some parts that are familiar and some that are different.

Q. What about Children's Church?

A. Our Children and Youth Ministry Director, Lillie Thomas, is reaching out to parents to determine whether they plan to attend church in person with their children, and their comfort level with Children's Church.

Q. What about outside groups using CCPC?

A. During this phase of reopening only CCPC groups can hold meetings and activities. We will open to outside groups in the next phase at a time yet to be determined.