



Trinity Topics

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REOPENING GUIDELINES

We have all been waiting eagerly for the reopening of Trinity Church for Sunday worship. In-person services will resume on July 19 at 10 AM. The Covid-19 pandemic is far from over. Everyone who attends services at Trinity Church will be required to follow these safety protocols issued by the rector and vestry to prevent the possible spread of the virus. These protocols are based on the directives of the CDC and our bishop. These protocols are in effect until further notice.

1. **Masks will be strictly required of all people in the building at all times.** Please bring your own mask. Studies have shown universal mask usage would reduce transmission rates by 90%. (Extra masks will be available for those who need them.)
2. **Worshippers should observe social distancing by remaining 6 feet away from others.** This precludes things like shaking hands (including during the passing of the peace) or sitting with others. Households may sit together.
3. **When entering the building, all will be required to sign in and use hand sanitizer.** Signing in will keep a record of points of contact in the event of an outbreak. Bring your own pen to sign in. Please use the east entrance, in the driveway, or ramp on the west side to enter building.
4. **No items should be exchanged person to person during service.** The offering plate will be left at the entrance to the nave. Bulletins should be taken home or thrown away before leaving service.
5. **Practice spiritual communion.** Avoiding physical reception of the Eucharist will limit the possibility of infection.
6. **Services will be celebrated without singing.** Singing has been found to project particles much further than speaking.
7. **Children and people over the age of 65 are especially susceptible to Covid-19 and are strongly encouraged to continue worshipping at home.** Sunday school, Coffee Hour, and all other activities outside of Sunday worship will not be held. For the time being, there will be only one Sunday service.
8. **Sunday morning live broadcasts on Facebook will continue.** Though we are happy to resume in person services, the opportunity to connect to the community remotely remains available. If you have any Covid-19 symptoms, please stay home.
9. **The ushers will be empowered to enforce all of these protocols.** Please cooperate with these guidelines for the safety of all members of our community.

News & Announcements

Stained Glass Window Project

In the last issue of *Trinity Topics*, we announced that the Vestry voted to accept a proposal from the Emil Frei firm to begin work on our stained glass windows. This first phase of restoration will cost \$36,740. More work is known to be needed, but the contractor needs to set up scaffolding to give an estimate on what other work needs done. A combination of reserved income, various funds available within church assets, and a fundraising campaign will be utilized to pay for the project.

Parish Bookkeeper

Deanna Tavender is retiring as Trinity Bookkeeper effective July 31, 2020. She has faithfully served in that position since January 1999. Thank you, Deanna, and enjoy your retirement!

Forward Day By Day

The latest issue is now available. Let us know if you want one, and we will mail it to you.

****If you have news you wish to share, please contact the Parish Office.***