



As we return to worship together in our sanctuary at 11 a.m. Sunday, June 21, our church leadership wanted to communicate with you some important information in hopes that some fears and anxieties would be addressed. We will continue to evaluate the effectiveness of the measures outlined here and improve on them week to week. As always, please let us know of any concerns you have by phone call or e-mail.

Here is a picture of what you can expect as we return to in-person worship:

- We will gather for an abbreviated worship service only. There will be no nursery or children's activities. Households will be encouraged to sit together, socially-distancing from other congregants where possible.

Mrs. Carrie will provide worship bags for children to use at their seats. Sunday school classes are encouraged to continue meeting virtually at a time that does not conflict with in-person worship.

- There will only be two open entrances to access the building: the main front doors to the sanctuary and the playground entrance. Hand sanitizing stations will be available at each entrance. Masks will also be available, but please feel free to wear your own mask if you so choose. Wearing a mask in the service is an optional choice. Please practice social distancing while entering and exiting the building and while on the campus.
- We will mark off every other pew for seating to provide more space between family groups. When you arrive, please move to the middle of the pew so that others do not have to climb past you to be seated. Orders of Worship will be placed on the pew benches in spaced intervals. There will be no Passing of the Peace and we will dismiss by pews from the service. At FBC we love to stay and chat after the service, but please do so outside in a socially-distant manner.
- While there will be music in the service, we will ask that you do not sing along to the hymns. This will be hard for some of us! Science has shown that singing can increase virus transmission, so hum away and sing in your heart. Common items like hymnals, pew Bibles and pens will be removed for the foreseeable future.
- Doors will be wiped down and left open whenever possible to minimize touch. All effort to sanitize the sanctuary will be made prior to worship each week. Bathroom facilities will be available in the Narthex, the main hallway and outside the Fellowship Hall. By limiting our movements within the church, there will be fewer areas to clean and sanitize each week. We realize this is an inconvenience, but we ask for your patience at this time.
- Offering can be given in the plates located in the Narthex and on the communion table at the front of the sanctuary. You may continue to give online, mail or bring your offering by the church office during business hours. Thank-you for your faithful giving!
- We will continue to offer online content for Sunday worship for the foreseeable future on Facebook and Vimeo for those who do not yet feel comfortable attending in-person worship. And please, if you feel sick in any way, stay home and get well.
- If, after attending a worship service you experience symptoms concurrent with COVID-19 and upon seeking medical attention you are advised to notify others with whom you may have been in contact, please notify the church office. The church office will make every effort to follow CDC guidelines while maintaining confidentiality as required by the Americans with Disabilities Act.

These are strange times in which we live. As a church we are learning new ways to operate. Through it all, let us offer grace and hope to one another. We look forward to seeing you soon!