



WHAT TO EXPECT WHEN YOU RETURN TO IN-PERSON AT FCOGCLC

REGISTRATION

To attend Sunday morning service, you must register. Registration will be open on every Wednesday before the coming Sunday. Currently, our soft return capacity limit is 200 people for each service. Registration will close automatically once the capacity of registered individuals is met. You may register at www.fcogevanston.org each Wednesday beginning at 9am.

INTERACTIONS

We understand that many of you will be extremely excited to be returning to in person service and to be able to see people that you possibly haven't seen in person for over a year. We will be too! However, please respect people's personal space and comfort levels regarding hugging and hand shaking. Please be mindful to not become offended if someone would rather "elbow bump" instead of giving you a hug; or wave from across the room rather than come over to speak. Meet people where they are in their comfort level.

Everyone will need to wear a mask, social distance, and adhere to the rules that have been set in place for the near future. Please follow the instructions as they are in place for everyone's safety. Wearing a mask is at this time a requirement. Unless you are speaking at the pulpit or singing on the Praise Team, wearing a mask is a requirement while in church. If you feel you are not able to wear a mask for the entire service, please see one of volunteers.

PARKING

We will have parking assistance providing parking directions in our parking lot to maximize our space, but at this time we will not return to having any vehicle's parked for them. Please plan to arrive in enough time to park and complete our re-entry protocols.

BUILDING ENTRANCE

We are asking everyone to use the main entrance double doors at the top of the front steps. The handicap door is available to anyone who needs to use the elevator. All others are asked to utilize the main doors.

Upon entering, please be prepared to offer space to anyone entering in front of you as temperatures will be checked at the main door. This may at times result in short lines so please be mindful to give space.

Once you have cleared the temperature check, you will be directed to step forward to our registration table where you can check in. The registration team will verify your name and the number of individuals you registered before being allowed enter.

SANCTUARY

You will be instructed to enter the sanctuary through designated entry points. We are asking that no one use the center aisle.

You will be directed to be seated from the front of the sanctuary making our way back row by row. We realize that historically, many of our families have had seating preferences and we will one day return to that liberty, however we are asking that you please sit where directed by our volunteers.

All designated seating spots are marked with a green sticker. For individuals coming to service alone, please sit in these marked spots. For families coming together who live in the same household, you may all sit next to each other. Our volunteers will then direct the next non-household attendee on that row to sit at the next properly socially distanced marked spot.

If you need to step out of the sanctuary during service at any time, please use the outer aisles to exit. Again, there will be no access to exit from the center aisle.

BENEDICTION

At the conclusion of service, there will be a row by row dismissal to ensure there are no crowds, bottlenecks or group gathering while exiting. We are asking that everyone please exit the building immediately as each row's dismissal is dependent upon a swift exiting of the previous rows. Please, if you would like to speak to other attendees, we ask that it be done outside. Though this may sound time consuming, it will go pretty quickly.

OFFERING

There will be no offering march. Additionally, the giving in the Narthex is suspended until further notice. Pastor Dillard is asking that we continue to use the electronic options that we have used during virtual only. However, for anyone desirous to give in person, there will be Deacons stationed in the Narthex during benediction with baskets that you may place your physical offerings into.

MISCELLANEOUS

- 1. There will be no access to the lower level of the building. Please do not attempt to access these areas until further notice.**
- 2. We will only allow as many individuals in the restrooms as there are available spaces. Additionally, the restrooms will be cleaned twice an hour.**
- 3. The sanctuary is now equipped with public wifi. Please see the media screens for network and password information.**
- 4. There will be no bulletins and all hymnals have been removed temporarily.**
- 5. There will not be an immediate return of anointing or altar call physical invitation. We are working on expanding our virtual methods.**
- 6. Our first Sunday back will be a Communion Sunday. You will receive a sacrament upon entering and they will be collected in a safe, no contact way after Communion. For those who will remain virtual, we will have our normal Communion pickup on Saturday June 5, 2020 from Noon-1pm.**
- 7. Welcome back, enjoy yourself, be patient with the process and thank you Jesus!**