

In-Person Worship at FCC

Directions for Summer/Autumn, 2020

We are so eager to come back into our FCC Sanctuary for prayer and worship! Yet we also want safety and comfort to be assured for all who choose to gather in-person. As we begin to worship concurrently by Zoom and In-Person, here is guidance for our worship in the church building.

1. You must *register*, if you wish to attend Sunday Worship. At fccriveredge.org, or in the E-mail Call to Worship, click on the **Reopen Church** link. It will send you to a page where you simply need to enter your name, your email address, and the number who will be attending in your family unit. Initially, attendance will be capped at 35 persons. You *must* register by *Friday noon*. Should you not have internet access, call the church office (201.261.1712) by 4 pm, Thursday, and we will register you.
2. Please arrive on Sunday morning **between 9:40 and 9:50** am. The prelude begins by 9:55 and we wish all to be seated by that time.
3. After **parking**, maintain social distancing on the entry sidewalk.
4. You will be met at the Entryway door by a **Greeter**, who will welcome you, assure your good health, that you are wearing of a mask and that you use the hand sanitizer stations.
5. You will proceed through the Entryway into the Sanctuary Narthex, where an **Usher** will guide you to your seat in the sanctuary. Seating will occur in 20 marked stations. Please follow the ushers' guidance;

- worshippers will *not* be able to choose their own seats.
6. Only family units (maximum 4 persons) will be allowed to share a seating station.
 7. **Masks must be worn** the entire time of being inside the FCC facilities.
 8. Bulletins will be waiting for you at your seat.
 9. **Singing** will *not* be allowed. Only the assigned song leader in the choir loft will sing. You may enjoy the soloist and follow the hymn lyrics in your bulletin (and possibly softly speak the lyrics or hum along with the tune within the safety of your mask 😊).
 10. At the conclusion of the service, please remain seated until an **usher releases** you. Proceed directly outdoors, through the Narthex and Entryway. If you wish, you may, at social distance, engage in conversation on the church lawn, before returning to your car.
 11. There will be an Offertory in the worship service, but tithes, gifts and offerings will not be gathered at that time. There will be a collection basket at the Narthex, into which you may **drop your offering as you depart** the sanctuary.
 12. On Communion Sundays, there will be pre-packaged **communion elements** at your seating station (inform an usher as you enter, if you wish a gluten-free option).
 13. Please use restrooms only in instances of strong need. Please wipe down all touched surfaces (wipes will be available) upon leaving the restroom.