

Allenspark Community Church

New Procedures for Attending Church

COVID-19 has proven to be an extremely contagious and frequently deadly disease, especially for those over 65 years of age and/or with existing health issues. Therefore for your safety and the safety of those around you, we feel compelled to temporarily implement some new procedures for attending church. For a while, attending our beloved church will not be like it was. We regret having to do this, but feel it is necessary out of regard for the health of all of our attendees. Thank you for your understanding.

Until further notice, the following procedures will be implemented for attending services at Allenspark Community Church:

1. **DO NOT COME** if you're not feeling well (cough, fever, sneezy, achy, etc). Our services will still be available via Zoom and on our website.
2. Also, if you have travelled to a "red zone" or come in contact with someone you know has recently tested COVID positive, please quarantine yourself for 2 weeks before coming to church.
3. Do not come if you don't feel safe attending.
4. A multi-layer mask covering your nose and mouth must be worn by all attendees (masks will be available at the doors if you don't have one). Please keep your mask on throughout the entire service.
5. Bring your own hand sanitizer (sanitizer will be available at the doors if you don't have your own).
6. We will take the temperature of all attendees with a touchless thermometer prior to entering the church.
7. In order to maintain a minimum of 6 ft spacing between non-family members, pews will be marked identifying where parishioners may sit. An usher will escort you to a designated seating location.
8. The Fellowship Hall will be available for seating during the service and will also be arranged to provide adequate distancing. Audio and video will be provided via the big TV in the corner of the room.
9. Outdoor seating is also available. Bring your own chair. There is no video outside, only audio.
10. We will shorten the service to reduce the length of your exposure to any potentially infectious organisms that others might be bringing into the building. One of the ways we will do this is by shortening the prayer requests. Please provide any prayer requests to the Pastor prior to Sunday.
11. After service, please remain seated until an usher comes to get you.
12. Hymnals and bibles have been removed from the pews.
13. Bulletins will be pre-positioned at the designated seating locations
14. There will be a collection basket at each of the entries to the church; collection baskets will not be passed around.
15. There will be no choir and no hymn singing; special music will be provided as available.
16. There will be no fellowship gathering before or after the service (no coffee service).
17. There will be no adult or children's Sunday school.
18. There will be only one (unisex) restroom open. One person or family at a time in the restroom. There will be an usher at the restroom entrance to tell you when it is available.
19. Before and after service, refrain from hugging and handshaking. In fact, minimize social interactions as much as possible and when interacting, observe the 6' distancing and mask procedures both inside and outside the church.
20. **Remember Church starts at 9:00.**