

St. Luke's Reopening Plan 2020

1. Prior to opening, Rev. Ernestein and lay assistants will be tested negative for COVID-19.
2. Reservations must be made no later than Thursday (before 1:00 p.m.) prior to the Sunday service for the 25 spaces allowed for attendance. Information given to ushers enables contact tracing if needed.
3. Parishioners who have not registered with the parish office will be allowed entrance to worship if space is available. Timeliness is necessary by those to who registered to ensure that they retain their seat. Contact information must be taken by ushers for those without reservations/visitors/guests.
4. There will be one service only at 9:00 a.m. This is due to the deep cleaning necessary before and after each service.
5. Printed bulletins will not be provided. The bulletin and readings are available on St. Luke's website and on the church Facebook page.
6. The church service will be livestreamed for those who remain at home.
7. The Book of Common Prayer and the Hymnal will not be present. Worshipers may bring their own prayer books and hymnals. The church's Book of Common Prayer may be checked out if requested for the duration of the pandemic distancing phases.
8. Facemasks are required, gloves optional, and sanitizer is available in each designated pew.
9. Ushers will open the doors, remind worshipers of social distancing and mask requirements, and direct parishioners to sit in the front pews first with proper spacing. This leaves one empty pew between seated parishioners. The side entrance shall not be used for entry.
10. There is organ/piano music and masked/distanced choir; no singing by the congregation, only humming allowed.
11. There is no Passing of the Peace by shaking hands of hugging; waving or another non-physical greeting from a distance is acceptable.
12. The Holy Eucharist is the Host only (communion wafer). Congregants process single file and properly distanced to the altar to receive from Rev. Ernestein. Procession is up the middle aisle; return to the pews single file via the side aisles.
13. The offertory plates are located at the rear of the sanctuary, one on either side of the main aisle.
14. Restrooms are limited to a one-person occupancy.
15. Coffee hour and social gathering are suspended at the present time.

16. Outside groups are informed of the guidelines and have agreed prior to meeting to abide by the terms of use. Large groups are split into smaller sizes or meet at different times. Some groups opt to meet via Zoom.
17. The library, chapel and kitchen are not to be used by parishioners or outside groups. The parish hall is to be used for groups of 25 or fewer, with proper distancing per set up of tables and chairs. Sanitizer is available at each table.
18. The Sexton cleans thoroughly after each group meeting, with particular attention to the restrooms.
19. Masks and wipes are also available to outside groups as needed.