

# PWUMC Reopening Info

*... the old things have gone away and new things have arrived!  
2 Corinthians 5:17*

We are excited to welcome you back to in-person worship beginning April 11 with services at 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. The PWUMC staff has kept busy learning how to continue to offer digital ministry in the best way possible, and we can't wait to see you in person to gather as a community in Christ.

While COVID-19 continues to impact our daily lives, in-person gatherings at the church will look and feel a little different. We ask all who enter the building to help keep everyone safe. When coming into the church, please adhere to PWUMC safety guidelines as we all commit to following the protocols and guidance set forth by health department professionals.

We will begin easing back into select in-person activities beyond worship in a few weeks. Specifically, we have reached out to certain support and recovery groups to provide them an opportunity to meet in the church beginning the week of April 19. With our weekday children's programs in session, we feel it is most responsible to add other activities gradually and monitor maintenance and other needs as we re-enter the building slowly. This also gives additional time for the church staff to receive the COVID-19 vaccination. We realize other groups, such as Sunday School classes, are anxious to return as well. Once we evaluate the return of in-person worship and reintroduce other programs, we look forward to bringing more groups into the church. Sunday morning children's Sunday School will remain online at this time.

If you don't feel well, please stay home. Even if you're unsure as to why you are feeling unwell, we ask that you please stay home and participate in our **online worship services** (Modern at 9 a.m., Traditional at 11 a.m.) in order to best protect yourself and others.



## Masks Required

Masks are required for everyone age 5 and up in the building. The CDC recommends disposable or cloth masks that have tightly woven layers of fabric and a nose wire to ensure a snug fit. Face shields are not a replacement for face masks. The church will provide you with a disposable face mask if needed.



## Limited Capacity

The Worship Center will be set up in creative seating arrangements with limited capacity to accommodate those who have registered for worship. Registrations for the next week will open each Sunday (starting April 4 -- watch for more details about where to register). Special seating arrangements and other considerations are being given to families with children of all ages to encourage everyone's participation in worship.



## Physical Distancing/Guided Entry and Exit

The front doors to the church will open 15 minutes before service begins. Hospitality Team members will direct you to your seats. When exiting, hospitality members will guide the exiting process. We ask that you do not congregate inside the building for safety purposes and so that our staff can prepare the space in between services. Please be mindful of maintaining the recommended 6 feet of distance between you and others outside of your immediate household.



## Cleaning Protocols

All spaces used will be cleaned and disinfected following each service. Areas of high touch points, including restrooms, will be cleaned frequently.



## No Coffee/Donuts

There will be no coffee service or donuts available so that masks can remain on at all times.



## Contactless Service

We ask that there be no hand shaking or other forms of physical contact, and no handouts or bulletins will be distributed. PWUMC offers online giving, and in addition, if you bring your offering to worship, physical offering boxes will be located at the entry/exit doors of the Worship Center.