

## GFL Conference Re-entry Plan 2020

### Phase One: Pre-entry

- Approximate date: June 1
- Building readiness and preparation phase
- Coordinate with Property Team re: sanitization of building
  - What has been done?
  - What needs to be done?
  - What are short term needs? Ie. cleaning supplies, cleaning teams, etc.
  - Set up areas of building for use for worship only.
  - Determine path of entry and exit for each
  - Turn off ceiling fans, reduce air circulation
- Coordinate with worship team
  - Times of worship services and locations (best to not duplicate areas until threat of exposure to Covid is minimized)
  - What will worship look like? Who is needed to maintain safety?
  - Mark chairs/pews for safe social distancing
    - Masks, masks, masks (except presider at altar)
    - Every third row to minimize cleaning, allow distancing
    - Use left side, then right side, alternate weeks (time based)
    - Use left side (early), right side (late) service
  - Determine Communion practices? Both kinds? Who will distribute? What safety measures should be put in place?
    - No intinction
    - Self-serve plastic cups from trays
    - Hand sanitizer mandatory (usher applies?)
  - What about special music? Just solo's for the immediate future until the threat is minimized?
  - Shorter services, no liturgical music, spoken hymns while masked
- Phase Two: Worship
  - During this phase meetings and small groups will continue to meet via Zoom
  - There would be no other social interaction except worship. No coffee hour. One path in and another out with time in between services for doors to be wiped down, surfaces cleaned and no encounters between worship groups. (Sounds cold and harsh, ugh)
  - Approximate dates: July 1-15 (start) -September?
  - Additional Worship services added. Type pending decision on the sacrament.
  - Cleaning process for areas needs to be coordinated with the Property Team
  - No more than 50 people in worship per service.

- Sign up to attend a specific service?
  - Use Last Name alphabet to determine which service?
  - Use ticketing/reservation system
  - How to accommodate non-tech users?
- Ability to continue Zoom or Facebook Live for those who choose not to attend? Who would be responsible?
- Do we use bulletins with everything printed to eliminate the need to touch hymnals and Bibles? Remove hymnals and Bibles from pews as part of Phase one?
- VBS/Children's programming suspended for Summer 2020
- Offering - no passing the plate. Receptacle provided in the back of the narthex to receive offerings
- Ushers? Not to hand out bulletins, but to be available for emergencies.
- Bulletins? How to handle dispensing?
- Doors held open by greeters with gloves who indicate how worshippers should approach the worship space and again when leaving. Doors to the sanctuary will remain open to avoid unnecessary contact.
- Phase Three: Additional Events
  - Based on how well contained the virus is, we could proceed to reconsider numbers in worship and adding additional events.
  - Approximate Dates: September - October 2020
  - Condense worship services to allow more people in worship
  - Add coffee hour back. In lieu of serve yourself tables, paper plates would be prepared in the kitchen using food safety guidelines and handed through the window with disposable utensils. No one other than servers would be allowed in the kitchen.
  - Sunday School and confirmation would resume. An assessment would need to be made regarding space to allow for anticipated social distancing measures.
  - What about a community Christmas pageant? Begin practicing in November, a Saturday program culminating in a full-scale musical production in December? Again, depending on social distancing guidelines.
- Other things to consider:
  - Social Ministry teams - quilters, free feeding programs, etc. Not until January 2021?
  - Funerals? Limit attendance? I would certainly suggest no receptions until the fall at the earliest.
  - Weddings?
  - Baptisms? It's hard to distance from a baby or with the family gathered? Do we propose a sort-of-private model? The family gathers with a small portion of the congregation to keep the numbers down and maintain the integrity of a representation of the Body of Christ?