

MEMORANDUM

May 26, 2020

From: Bp. Menees

Re: Supplies to Reopen for Public Worship

Following the guidelines set out from the diocese and the governing authorities to return to public worship will require all of our congregations to purchase personal protective equipment (PPE.) The following is a list of the items that will be needed along with examples of what can be purchase either locally or online.

1. **Hand Sanitizer:** Hand sanitizer will be needed for laity to sanitize their hands on entering the church and for clergy to sanitize their hands throughout the service. Make sure hand sanitizer you purchase has at least 60% alcohol. You may want to also purchase sanitizer stations near the entrance of your church so people can quickly and hygienically sanitize. (Premium Grade Hand Sanitizer Liquid Refill, 80% Alcohol - 1 Gallon, 128 Fl Oz, WHO Approved, Made in USA (1 Pack), \$50)
2. **Face Masks:** Everyone should be wearing masks. People can bring masks from home and it can be a good activity for women in your congregation to make masks for people, but you should also have disposable masks available for people who come to church without masks. (Sismate Disposable 3 Ply Face Mask, Pack of 50, \$35)
3. **Thermometers:** It's not required, but some may want to purchase an infrared thermometer to take people's temperatures without touching them. (Berrcom No-Contact Infrared Forehead Thermometer, \$50)
4. **Disinfectant:** Multiple kinds of disinfectants are available at local stores and can be used for cleaning between services. Please check to make sure the disinfectants you have is recommended for use against COVID-19. You can check that at <https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-registration/list-n-disinfectants-use-against-sars-cov-2>
5. **Gloves:** You may want to either wear gloves during services or provide them for congregants. At the very least gloves should be used by the groups cleaning the church between services. When you order gloves, make sure to check the size of the gloves you order. Nitrile pobably works best as a material. Latex might work but should be avoided due to the prevalence of latex allergies. (ESM Nitrile 5ml. Blue Powder Free 1box of 100p XL Size \$30)

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