

Trinity Anglican Church

Safe Re-gathering Plan

We are subject to our Bishop, State, and Local authorities. Accordingly, these have been developed based upon:

- recent CDC, California State, and Diocesan Guidelines
- conversations with other local pastors, including a sixty-five pastor virtual meeting
- consultation with Dr. Alan Cartmell
- review of three local congregations' reopening plans

These are not “set in stone” but are a strategy for safe re-gathering that can be amended as information continues to be made available. The transition from one phase or stage to another will be determined in consultation with the above bodies of advice. Our overarching principle is the call to love one another, including the personal sacrifices necessary to uphold one another in patience, kindness, and gentleness.

Phase One

Restrictions

- No Sunday School or Nursery: Families will be encouraged to come to worship service with their children.
- Those who are vulnerable or sick are encouraged to stay home and watch our worship service online.
- Seating is limited to 100 people in the room.
- All people will wear masks. Disposable masks will be available. Any unwilling to wear a mask will not be allowed in the Fellowship Hall and be encouraged to participate online.
- No acolytes, choir, or chalice bearers; one lector.
- All family units must stay 6 ft away from other family units.
- Ushers will escort family units to seating to maximize seating available and safety.
- No congregational singing until community infection rate is determined to be adequately low.
- Congregating in the Fellowship Hall and the Patio will not be allowed before or after service.
- Doors will be opened by Ushers only.
- Worship will be dismissed by sections and not all at once.
- Small groups, choir and outside groups will not be allowed on campus.

Safety Precautions Required

- All volunteers masked and gloved.
- Clergy in N95 masks for greater containment.
- Clergy wash hands for 30 seconds with soap and water immediately before service.
- Communion will be bread only and will be brought to family units.
- Every other row of chairs removed.
- Clusters of available seats spaced 6' apart.
- Space deep cleaned between services.
- High contact surfaces given special attention in cleaning.
- Interior glass doors to bathroom lobby pinned open.
- Hand sanitizer at entrances and throughout space.
- Offering will be taken electronically or via Alms Basin in the Fellowship Hall.
- No physical exchange during peace or after services.
- Bulletin will not be printed and will be available electronically only.
- No use of Prayer Books or Hymnals; everything will be projected.
- No coffee hour or food after services.

Phase Two

All Restrictions from Phase One remain in place

All Safety Precautions from Phase One remain in place

Stage One

- Nursery and PS Sunday School will be offered in the Christian Education Building with appropriate distancing in place.
- Elementary Age Sunday School will continue to be offered electronically.
- Drop-off and pick-up of children will be in Lobby only, not at classroom.
- Wellness checks will be implemented.

Stage Two

- Elementary Age Sunday School will be offered in the Christian Education Building with appropriate distancing in place.

Phase Three

All Restrictions from Phase One remain in place

All Safety Precautions from Phase One remain in place

- Youth Ministry is permitted to resume in person meetings in Youth Room.
- Adult Bible Studies are permitted to resume in the Library.
- Bible study and ministry groups are permitted to resume in the Library, but are encouraged to continue meeting electronically.

Phase Four

- The Campus will be fully open.
- Restrictions are lifted.

Continued Safety Precautions

- Encourage people to stay home if sick.
- Clergy wash hands for 30 seconds with soap and water immediately before service.
- Space deep cleaned between services.
- High contact surfaces given special attention in cleaning.
- Hand sanitizer at entrances and throughout space.
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