



## In-Person Worship Frequently Asked Questions

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*I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord!" Psalm 122:1 ESV*

### Summary

- In-person worship for the Satellite service will re-start September 12th at 5:00 pm in the Multi-purpose Room, with the Traditional service restarting September 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am in the Sanctuary.
- The number of attendees for each service will be limited, and reservations required to attend in order to maintain physical distancing guidelines.
- Use these links to RSVP online for [Saturday at 5:00 pm or Sunday at 9:00 am or go to Trinity's web site \[www.trinitydt.org\]\(http://www.trinitydt.org\)](#)
- Each participant will be screened for symptoms of COVID and their temperature will be taken.
- Masks or face coverings will be required for elementary-aged children, youth and adults while on campus.
- Communion will be offered at each service on our regular schedule using pre-packaged communion kits.
- Online worship services will continue to be available. The live stream of the Traditional service will start at 9:00 am instead of 8:15am.
- The start times for *online* Adult Bible Study, Foundations 56 and our Confirmation class that are held on Sunday will be approximately 10:30am. Exact start times are at the discretion of each class.
- Whether you worship in-person or online, you are loved!

### Here are the details:

**Restart Date:** The Satellite service will restart in-person worship services at 5:00 pm on Saturday, September 12<sup>th</sup> with the Traditional service restarting on Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am.

**Physical Distancing:** In accordance with physical distancing guidelines, attendance will be limited to 50 worshipers at the 5:00 pm Saturday service and 125 worshipers at the 9:00 am service on Sunday. Only every other pew will be used, and worshipers will be seated at either end of the pew with six feet of distance between family groups.



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### To Attend In-Person Worship:

- Members and regular guests will be asked to RSVP for the particular worship service they wish to attend.
- Pre-registration will open on the Monday of each week for that week's Saturday and Sunday worship opportunities.
  - Pre-registration may be accomplished at Trinity's website ([www.trinitydt.org](http://www.trinitydt.org)) and selecting the service you want to attend or by calling the church office (713.224.0684) 8:30 am - 2:15 pm on weekdays. **You may use these links to RSVP online for [Saturday at 5:00 pm](#) or [Sunday at 9:00 am](#).**
- Those that pre-register will receive an email confirmation that should be printed out and brought to the service, or write down the confirmation number on a piece of paper and bring it with you.
- If you wish, bring a seat cushion, your Bible and/or hymnal and any material that your children might need during the worship service

### Arrival:

- Worshipers will be allowed to arrive a maximum of 30 minutes early and will queue up on the sidewalk at one of two points of entrance.
- For the Traditional service, only two entrances will be available:
  - The doors on the west side of the Christian Life Building next to Pastor Dorn's office (you'll see signs designating this as "Entrance 1")
  - The LINC entrance doors on the east side of the Christian Life Building (you'll see signs designating this as "Entrance 2")
- Please do **not** use the entrance doors to the Narthex or the Foyer.



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- Volunteers will be available at each entrance to:
  - Take the attendee's temperature using no-contact thermometers.
  - Ask the attendee about any potential COVID exposure per CDC guidelines.
- Attendees may then proceed to a new "welcome desk" placed directly in front of the "Jesus picture" outside of Pastor Dorn's office.
- The welcome team stationed at the temporary welcome desk will welcome each guest and check the attendees' ticket or reservation number.
- Attendees who have pre-registered will be allowed entrance to the sanctuary. Elevator use is available, and the elevator will be sanitized often.
- All reservations "expire" five minutes prior to each worship service. This will allow guests and those that did not register to participate in the worship service.
- Alternating pews will be available for seating and will be marked into three sections that are spaced in accordance to social distancing. The middle of each pew will be used as buffer space. Family groups are encouraged to sit together.
- All worship participants of elementary age or older will be required to wear a mask or other face covering, unless they have a medical condition that precludes doing so. Masks will be available for those that request them, as long as supplies last.
- Volunteers will drop into the hands of those worshipers desiring communion a personal communion kit that contains both elements. Instructions will be provided during the service at the normal point for communion in the order of worship.

### **Exit Procedures:**

- Ushers will release the rows starting from the back of the sanctuary. Worshipers will exit the building through the Narthex doors and should proceed directly to their vehicles. Handicapped individuals may exit using the Foyer doors
- Offering baskets will be placed next to the Narthex exit door, along with waste containers for used communion cups.

**Additional Worship Opportunities:** Online worship services will continue to be available, with live streams starting at 5:00 pm on Saturdays and the Traditional service at 9:00 am on Sundays. Additionally, "drive up" Communion will continue to be available each Wednesday from 11:00 am to 1:00 PM and on Saturdays from 9:30am to 11:0am



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**Bible Classes and Sunday School:** Adult Bible Study classes will continue meeting online until further notice along with our online Foundations 56 and our Confirmation class activities for children. Adult Bible study classes that wish to meet on Trinity's campus may do so, as long as sufficient space is available to allow social distancing and all screening and mask wearing protocols are observed. We will evaluate restarting face to face Sunday School activities. Stay tuned for updates on all these details.

**Other Activities:** We will continue to support online meetings of our various groups to continue God's work among us and to provide fellowship. Other non-worship related meetings and activities on Trinity's campus will be allowed on a case by case basis as long as sufficient space is available to allow social distancing and Trinity's screening and mask wearing protocols are observed.