

St. Luke's Reopening Information

On Tuesday, November 10, 2021, the Council voted to reopen St. Luke's for in-person worship beginning on Sunday, November 28, the first day of Advent. Advent is the season of waiting and anticipation and this is a day we will meet with that same sense of hope and wonder. This decision was made at the urging of several members and despite the firm recommendation of the task force not to resume inside worship. However, Council decided that the needs of the congregation to worship together in person outweigh the risks, which remain real and significant.

We will hold one service at 11:00 am which will also be live streamed for those that prefer this option. Faith Formation will also be offered with both in-person and virtual options at 9:45 am.

For the safety of all, we will continue with the following safety protocols established during last year's inside worship:

- Please wear a mask while in the church. Bring your own if you have one. Masks will be available at the church. The mask is not just for you, but also to protect those around you.
- If you are not feeling well, or have been exposed to the virus, please worship with us using the online option
- We will continue to social distance and have a contact free "passing of the peace."
- Communion will be celebrated.
- There will be an offering plate at the door and not passed during the service
- There will be no nursery at this time.

Council and the task force will continue to monitor the need for these protocols going forward and we appreciate everyone's understanding and compliance in the meantime.

Many volunteers will be needed to serve as ushers, greeters, cleaners, etc., so as not to overwhelm staff and other worship leaders. Please contact the office to sign up. As other needs for worship are identified we will pass those on to all of you.

We look forward to worshipping together again.

Blessings and peace,
The St. Luke's Council