

February 17, 2021

You are invited to gather in-person for worship this weekend, **Sunday, February 21st, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.**

Please take a few moments to read through the information below before you attend worship.

The Congregation Council and Re-Opening Committee invite you to self-screen before coming to worship that morning using the following guidelines:

- Do you have a new cough that you cannot attribute to another health condition?
- Do you have new shortness of breath that you cannot attribute to another health condition?
- Do you have a new fever (100.4°F or higher) or chills that you cannot attribute to another health condition?
- Do you have any two of the following symptoms: Fatigue, Congestion, Runny nose, Sore throat, New loss of taste or smell, Headache, Diarrhea, Muscle or body aches, Nausea, or Vomiting?
- Have you come into close contact (within 6 feet) with someone who has a laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 diagnosis in the past 14 days?

If any of these apply before attending worship, please view the service online, so as to not risk the health others attending worship in-person.

Due to social distance requirements, we are limited to 60 persons in the worship service.

While on the church property, all are required to wear a face mask or cloth face covering over their nose and mouth. If you do not have a face mask, one will be provided for you. Please practice social distancing, keeping at least six feet from another person, and refrain from hugging, handshaking, or other signs of physical affection with those outside your immediate household.

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Upon entering the sanctuary, please take a communion cup and bulletin, sit in one of the metal folding chairs, and remain there for the duration of the service. The worship service has been shortened to allow for those who may not be able to sit for a full service comfortably. The congregation is permitted and encouraged to make responses to the liturgy; however, there will be no congregational singing.

Communion will be served using pre-filled, sealed, communion cups with bread and grape juice. You will not be invited forward to receive communion. At the time of communion, you will be invited to open your pre-filled communion cup at your seat, remove your mask, consume communion, and replace your mask.

At the conclusion of the service, please exit the building and return to your vehicles.

“High touch” surfaces, such as doors, tables, and light switches, are disinfected before and after the service. Several 80% alcohol, hand sanitizer stations are located throughout the building, please use them as needed.

Additionally, to keep fresh air moving through the sanctuary, the side doors and the doors of the church will remain open during the service. This may cause the sanctuary to be a bit cooler, so you may consider bringing and wearing a sweater, if the weather outside is cool.

For those who are not planning to attend the in-person worship service, you are invited to view the service through the church’s Facebook live stream, or on YouTube later in the day.

You may also find more information by reviewing The Lakes Lutheran Church Health & Safety Reopening Plan located [here](#).

Thank you for your cooperation, your prayers, and your patience as we return. We’re looking forward to gathering together again!

Peace in Christ,

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