

From the Ninth & Columbia Elders:

Be completely humble and gentle, be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.
Ephesians 4:2-3

We have been praying, contacting you, the congregation, for your opinions and considering the CDC guidelines as outlined by our Governor.

We plan to “reopen” with worship services on June 7, 2020.

This will be before the virus is gone. Unlike businesses, we are relational in what we do and are interested in loving each other rather than “providing a product.” Care must be taken in how we reopen. We are concerned about every member of our body. We know that individuals age 65 or older and/or people with medical issues are at higher risk of COVID-19, and these people have been encouraged to stay at home as much as possible. We also know that many of you are anxious to be able to come back to worship together. Our intent was to consider all and make every effort not to exclude anyone, but we may have to make further changes as we go along.

1. Our service on June 7 will start at 10:00 AM. We will still have NO classes for awhile.
2. The CDC encourages everyone to wear a face mask or covering. We, the Elders, also encourage you to wear a face mask. There will be separate sections of the auditorium for those that do wear a mask and those that don't.
3. We will use only the front doors of the building at the back of the auditorium to enter. We suggest that you park in the north parking areas.
4. We will have all the safety precautions recommended by the CDC.
5. Communion Packets will be provided as you enter the auditorium to be used at the appropriate time during the service. There will also be a basket for your contributions at the door.
6. Pews will be marked where we can sit so as to practice social distancing as recommended by the CDC.
7. We are asking that if you want to further visit, please wait until you exit outside in the parking lot to do so.