

Reformation Lutheran Church

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PROCEDURES FOR THE PANDEMIC
GUIDELINES FOR WORSHIP

NOTE: These Guidelines reflect Reformation Lutheran Church worship practice as of the time of their adoption. Further guidelines will be developed as consideration is given to gathering in person for worship outdoors and/or indoors.

1. We will continue to offer virtual worship every week. Baptisms and communion will be included in the virtual worship on a schedule to be determined.
2. We will investigate technology needed to live stream worship from the sanctuary and on the website.
3. We will explore ways to connect members who do not have access to computer/internet to virtual worship.
4. In-person attendance at any Reformation activity is discouraged for those with any COVID-19 symptoms, anyone in high-risk categories, or anyone in frequent contact with family members in high-risk categories.
5. For the purposes of contact tracing, a record of the names of all participants at worship activities held on Reformation property will be kept.
6. Beginning in September we will offer additional worship opportunities as drive through worship once a month. The following guidelines will be observed during drive through worship:
 - a. Everyone will remain in their vehicle at all times.
 - b. Everyone will be checked in when they arrive and asked if they have tested positive for COVID-19 in the past 14 days, have been exposed to anyone who has tested positive for COVID-19 in the past 14 days, or have exhibited any symptoms of COVID-19 in the past 7 days
 - c. Everyone will be asked to wear a mask during their time on the church property. Masks will be provided to anyone who arrives without one.
 - d. All traffic will enter through the west lot, proceed around the back of the property, and exit through the east lot.
 - e. Staff and volunteers will be socially distanced on the property helping to direct traffic through the drive through worship.
 - f. Staff and volunteers will lead worship stations (such as a welcome center, offering drop, communion, and blessing/sending) while keeping social distance and contactless connection wherever possible.

7. Reformation pastors officiate funerals at funeral homes or gravesides with coordination through funeral homes following guidelines set by the funeral home or cemetery.
8. Reformation pastors officiate outdoor weddings on Reformation property with 25 or fewer guests. Weddings held at an off-site location will follow guidelines set forth by that site and in consultation with a Reformation pastor.
9. Reformation pastors preside at baptisms held outdoors at Reformation. The total number of persons in attendance cannot exceed 10 family members/friends (not counting children under 6 years of age). Social distancing will be practiced and masks must be worn. Baptisms are recorded for the congregation to witness and celebrate the baptism by sharing it during an online worship service.
10. These guidelines will be modified as circumstances dictate.