Re-Gathering Safely Guidelines

We have all missed worshipping together in-person and are looking forward to gathering again. Our services will also continue to be livestreamed. If you plan to attend in-person worship services starting Sunday, September 12, 2020, 10:00 A.M., below are some tips to help guide you in safely gathering:

1. **Before You Leave Home**
   Help us gather safely. **Please avoid attending worship service if your answer is “yes” to any of these questions:**
   - In the last 14 days have you had COVID-19?
   - In the last 14 days have you been exposed to someone with COVID-19?
   - Are you experiencing cold or flu symptoms?

2. **Parking** will be available in all our normal locations:
   a) Garage parking adjacent to the church
   b) Angle parking on the west side of 11th Street
   c) Curbside parking on K Street and surrounding streets

3. **Entrance:**
   a) Everyone attending worship should be fully vaccinated. You will not be asked; we are using an honor system. All persons leading and serving in worship are required to be vaccinated and will have presented prior confirmation.
   b) Sanitation stations will be available at entrances and throughout the building
   c) **Wearing a MASK is required upon entrance and must be worn at all times during worship service!**
   d) Enter through:
      - The front lobby doors (K Street entrance) OR
      - The 11th Street door
   e) Follow the directions of the ushers for COVID-19 screening for contact tracing.
4. Once **screened**: You may proceed to the sanctuary. If you use the 11th street entrance take the elevator or the stairs to the 2nd floor. We are asking that no more than 2 persons occupy the elevator at the same time, unless you are part of the same family. Otherwise, we ask that you please take the stairs, remembering to practice safe social distancing.

5. **Communion Elements**:
   a) Once you have entered the sanctuary, collect your Communion cup from an usher. Keep your Communion cup with you.
   b) As you leave at the end of the worship service, you may discard your used Communion cup in the trash bin(s) at the entrances.

6. **Seating**: When you enter the sanctuary, follow the directions of the ushers to be seated. The sanctuary will be marked to allow seating in every other row to ensure SOCIAL DISTANCING. You may still sit in family groupings.

7. **Tithes/Offerings**: Only the long handled offering baskets will be passed during worship. You may also continue to contribute the way you have for the past year (i.e., e-Giving, Text-to-Give, electronic banking, or U.S. Mail.)

8. **Children’s Programs**: The nursery will not be open. Sunday school for children and youth remain suspended at this time.

9. **Restrooms**: There will be signage in the restrooms limiting same-time occupancy and usable stalls and sinks will be clearly marked to accomplish safe SOCIAL DISTANCING.