

Guidelines for Resuming Inside Worship

Personal Safety

- Do not attend worship if you or anyone in your home, currently shows any symptoms of COVID-19 (cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fever, chills, muscle pain, sore throat, runny nose, nasal congestion or new loss of taste or smell).
- Do not attend worship if you have recently traveled outside of the United States or to/from hotspots like New York or New Jersey during the past 14 days.
- Do not attend worship if you have had contact in the past 14 days with anyone testing positive for the coronavirus or anyone under investigation for COVID-19.
- Wearing face masks, scarfs or bandanas covering your nose and mouth are strongly encouraged. Facial coverings are especially advised for worshipers who are over 65 years old and/or have underlying medical conditions.
- Facilities will continue to be thoroughly cleaned and sterilized between worship services.

Facility Entrance and Exit

- Entrance and exit doors will be opened for worshipers by greeters wearing masks.
- Practice social distancing between yourselves and other worshipers while entering and exiting the building.
- Bulletins will be provided for worshipers by greeters wearing masks.
- Two hand sanitizing stations will be available in the foyer for use.
- Ushers will be available to answer questions or help you with seating in the Worship Center.

Worship Services

- There will only be one weekly worship service (Sundays at 11:00 am) until otherwise notified.
- Social distancing will be practiced in the Worship Center by making every other pew available and staggering the seating of worshipers.
- Worshipers are asked to maintain social distancing by not shaking hands, fist bumping, elbow tapping or hugging fellow worshipers.
- Music during worship will be limited.
- Offering plates will be located at the two main entrances/exits in the foyer and at the two entrance/exits at the front of the Worship Center. You may drop your tithes and offerings into either of the plates as you enter or exit the building.

Nursery

- The three rooms in the nursery area and the Four & Five Years Old Classroom will be available for use by parents with babies and toddlers during the worship service.
- Nursery helpers will not be provided. A parent, grandparent or guardian should stay in the specified area with their child/children.
- Families should stay separated in the specified areas. For example, one family in the bed-baby room, another family in the toddler room, etc.
- Toys provided by the church will be limited and sterilized between services.

Preschool and Children

- Children's Church will not be provided during the worship time until otherwise notified.
- Parents, grandparents and guardians should keep children with them before, during and after the worship service.

Sunday School / Small Groups

- Sunday school and other small groups will remain cancelled until we can ensure a safe environment for attendees.

Restrooms

- Restrooms will be available for use during worship. Sanitizing wipes will be available so that surfaces/facilities may be cleaned before and after use.
- Children who are not able to clean surfaces/facilities before and after use should be accompanied by a parent, grandparent or guardian.

Our desire is to do everything we possibly can to lessen the risk of COVID-19 to our MBC family and guests who join us for worship. For the transition to inside worship to be successful and continue, each of us must attend with a concern for the health of fellow worshipers and a spirit of cooperation.