Unity Presbyterian Church - Live on the Lawn

September – October 2021

While we are excited to resume our Sunday morning in-person outdoor worship experience, we recognize the need for continued vigilance and love to ensure as a community that we minimize the risk of both spreading and contracting COVID-19. As disciples of Jesus, we seek above all else to love the Lord our God and to love our neighbors as ourselves, so we ask and insist that all attending outdoor, in-person worship adhere to the following covenants:

- Out of love for your friends and neighbors, if you are not feeling well or have been in contact with someone diagnosed with or suspected to have COVID-19, PLEASE STAY HOME and continue to worship Sunday mornings online.
- Masks are optional as we will be gathering outside. A limited supply of masks and hand sanitizer will be available at the church.
- Always practice social-distancing. Be mindful of the placement of your lawn chairs (at least 10 feet distance) and avoid person-to-person contact with attendees outside of your family group.
- While we want to express our love for one another in traditional and familiar ways, we
 encourage waves, sharing praying hands, or other non-contact ways of expressing your love
 to each other as opposed to hugging, hand-shaking or fist bumps.
- Congregational Singing and Responses: The service will include congregational singing and spoken responses, as we will be outside, maintaining proper social distance, and all attendees are wearing masks. Please recognize that these factors significantly minimize, but can never completely eliminate, the risk of COVID-19 transmission.
- The restrooms located down the hall from the Narthex will be available for emergency use only. Please use the hand sanitizer on the table before and after using the restrooms.

Service Details:

- Parking: The service will be held on the front lawn of Unity, directly in front of the Historic Sanctuary. Families will arrive in their vehicles and be directed by parking attendants to the front lawn area and a parking spot.
- Vehicles will be parked in a manner to ensure social-distancing, as well as to provide line of sight to the podium area.
- Chairs: Families can participate in their vehicles or bring lawn chairs and set them out in front of the vehicle or along the horseshoe drive allowing line of sight while ensuring social-distancing. We will not be providing chairs.
- Dress: It's September and we're outside, so dress comfortably and for the weather.
- Sound system: We plan to use microphones and a speaker system for both the pastors and musicians.
- Order of Worship: Bulletins with the announcements will be available for the service. No need to print your own copy at home.
- Young Children: Nursery and Children in Worship (CIW) will not be provided for these outdoor services. However, children are encouraged to worship with their families. Feel free to bring a blanket and toys for them.
- Inclement Weather: In the event of rain or other inclement weather, the service will be held in the sanctuary. If the service is moved indoors, the announcement will be made via Facebook and email by 7:00 am.