

Dear Eastview Christian Church,

The Leadership Team and the "Back to Church at Eastview" committee is pleased to announce we will be "reopening" for worship service on Sunday, June 7! Praise God!

The committee met last Tuesday at the church building to finalize our plans, and it was very nice seeing everyone in person! Your faithfulness in giving, worshipping, praying, and caring for one another never stopped. That's the difference between having a religion and living for Christ. Praise God for all He has done for us and all you do for the Kingdom.

While it's exciting to begin our gatherings again, we want you to know it's going to look and feel a little different. Like many churches in our community and nation our approach will be a phased approach. You will find three sections below that will explain our reopening: What you can expect, what we will do, and what we ask you to do.

What You Can Expect

- A slightly shortened service at 10:00AM
- Communion will be available throughout the sanctuary to eliminate the passing of trays. We will have pre-packaged communion cups with bread available, along with the traditional emblems in trays. During the communion service, we will take turns going to the nearest table and taking the emblems there. A trashcan will be available at each table for the disposal of the cups.
- Our tithes and offerings can be placed into trays at the back of the sanctuary as we leave the service.
- Seating arrangements will be different to adhere to social distancing. Please worship with those that you come with.
- Auditorium doors will remain open even during the worship service
- Unfortunately, starting back we will have no nursery or children's classes, as it is difficult to practice social distancing in these environments. To help we are providing kids with a take-home packet of crayons and coloring materials to keep them occupied. We encourage families to view this as an opportunity for family worship.
- Initially, we will not have Sunday School classes before or after the service.

What We Will Do

- We will sanitize before the worship service (door handles, bathrooms, etc.)
- Restrooms will be periodically sanitized between uses.

- Changed seating arrangements in the auditorium to adhere to proper social distancing guidelines.
- Eliminate unnecessary physical contact between individuals
- Keep as many doors open as possible to minimize touching of handles

What We Ask of You

- Please stay home if you have any symptoms!
- We ask that you please wear a face mask while at the church building. If you do not have one, we will provide one for you. If you do not feel this is necessary, we ask that you please wear one anyway out of consideration and self-sacrifice for those that do think it is. Obviously, there will be reasons some cannot wear a face masks, i.e. breathing difficulties, young children may not keep them on, etc. In these cases, we ask that everyone be patient and understanding toward those not wearing them.
- To reduce mingling and walking past each other, please be seated as close to the front as you can. Chairs will be arranged in groups of 1, 2, 3, and so on. Try to take seats according to the size of your family, to utilize the reduced seating capacity that we have.
- If you have hand sanitizer, please bring it and use it. We will have hand sanitizer available as we enter the building.
- Adhere to safe social distancing, avoiding unnecessary physical contact.
- Please do not crowd or congregate in the lobby.
- Sit with people in your household, honoring social distancing guidelines with non-family.
- Please remember that you may submit your gifts, tithes and offerings online via the Breeze app. Go to the eastviewchristianchurch.org website and click on "Give Now" near the top of the page. It is simple, easy, and takes just a couple of minutes.

This is a lot of change, but there has been great interest in returning to worship together. We have been working diligently to ensure the health and safety of everyone as we return. In all of this, the leadership asks one more thing from all of our church family: Please show grace to the staff and leadership. There's no playbook for something like this. Please show understanding to others around you knowing each person in worship may take different precautions than you might.

Thank you for your continued faithfulness to God and His Church. We can't wait for June 7!

In Christ, Eastview Leadership Team