

COVID Positive Test Response Plan

When we learn that someone who attended *Zion* has tested positive for COVID-19, we will follow the process below.

- We ask the congregation to contact *Denise Moyer* at dmoyer@zionnyork.org or (717) 767-4673 to report a positive COVID-19 test result and they will move forward with communication and safety measures.
- We will maintain both confidentiality and care. While protecting the identity and privacy of the person or family who tested positive for COVID-19, we will also help provide them with the support and resources they need.
- We will notify the congregation by email within 24 hours that an attendee tested positive (without revealing their identity) and directly contact anyone we're aware of who interacted with or sat near them.
- In our communication to the congregation, we will share the date and time of the service that the COVID-positive person or family attended and where they were seated.
- We will ask those who had close contact with the person or family to get tested and refrain from attending in-person services or small groups for two weeks.
- We will encourage the congregation to pray for the person or family who tested positive for COVID-19 and the Care team will provide other ways to serve them when possible.
- We will arrange for a deep cleaning of the church within 48 hours with special care to sanitize the areas the person or family touched.
- We will evaluate the extent of the exposure within 48 hours and make a swift decision about whether to cancel in-person services. If needed, we will consult our local health department and health care workers in the congregation.
- If we deem that the extent of exposure warrants cancelling in-person services, we will notify the congregation within 48 hours of the next scheduled service and move to online-only services for two weeks.