



August 16, 2020

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

As our school year is about to begin, we are thrilled at the prospect of welcoming a record enrollment of over 100 children to our campus. May the name of the Lord be praised! Ask the Lord to continue to bless the efforts of our school to provide a safe environment and enable us to offer in person learning for the students coming to us.

As we prepare for the future at Trinity Lutheran Church, we want to focus on encouraging all of our people, if they are not considered “high risk,” to once again return to in person worship. In an effort to provide a safe environment, we will continue our current approach:

- Collect offerings in the boxes in the narthex
- Provide two hand sanitizer stations
- Social distanced seating (every other pew)
- Fill the church from the front to the back and dismiss the church from the back to the front (to avoid cross traffic)
- No Bible Class or Sunday School, coffee and treats, or other big congregational fellowship events
- Masks are encouraged (understanding there are many exemptions found in the Governor’s mandate)

In addition to these accommodations, we plan to also offer an extra opportunity for worship to help “spread out” the crowds and offer an opportunity for those that are extra cautious. **Beginning September 13**, we will offer the following weekly opportunities for worship:

- Thursday at 6:30 p.m. (normal accommodations)
- Sunday at 8:00 a.m. (normal accommodations)
- Sunday at 9:15 a.m. (normal accommodations)
- Sunday at 11:00 a.m. (heightened accommodations)

The additional 11:00 service on Sunday will be slightly different than the other three opportunities. This service will be take extra precautions before and during the worship opportunity and is intended to serve our “higher risk” community.

- Masks will be mandatory for all those gathered (except the preacher when he is up in front and a safe distance away). The masks will be worn throughout the entire service.
- Seating will be offered in every third pew.
- Extra sanitizing efforts will take place between the 9:15 service and the start of the 11:00 a.m. service.
- This will be a shortened service without singing (30-40 minutes in length).



For those who are considered to be “high risk,” our plan to serve you has not changed. We will continue to post our regular weekly service online and send out DVDs. Should you desire private communion, Pastor Naumann is more than willing to meet with you at your home or church. Please contact him to set up a visit. Please remember to continue to support our ministry via our website or by sending your offerings through the mail to the church office.

In Christ’s Service,

The Elders of Trinity Lutheran Church

Zach Wusterbarth (Head Elder)  
Tom Leverenz  
John Meiselwitz  
Robert Potratz

Jerry Schnelle  
Gene Tipler  
Pastor Naumann