

In-Person Worship Plan for Grace Church, San Marcos Outdoor Eucharist

Weekly the Holy Eucharist will be conducted in an outdoor venue on church property.

- Advance communications:
 - Home screening: potential participants must self-screen for symptoms of illness, including, but not limited to, fever, new cough, shortness of breath, congestion, body aches or GI upset.
 - Those who may be at an increased risk due to age or underlying health conditions are encouraged to stay home and participate in online worship live on YouTube.
 - Liturgy will be provided electronically for home printing.
 - Disinfect hands upon arrival (hand sanitizer placed at various stations)
 - Chairs will be brought by visitor/parishioners as well as provided by the parish and will be sanitized after use. Outdoor benches will be reserved for family units.
 - Face covering at all times by all participants including the celebrant.
 - Physical Distancing of 6ft. will be maintained.
 - Restrooms are available in the parish hall for use.
 - Process for receiving communion will be announced at the service.
- Any sacristy items used in the service will be sanitized after the service.
- Distancing measure: Spaced out chairs will indicate where individuals and family units can sit. Family units should stay together. Children should remain with their parents.
- Seating: Provided by attendee or metal folding chairs provided by the church.
- Face mask measures: Required. Face masks will be provided to those who do not provide their own face mask
- Altar Guild: One person will be designated to provide all setup and take down for service
- Greeter/Usher: 1 greeters will assist family units to appropriate seating areas, answer questions about restrooms, and answer general questions. Greeters should gently enforce social distancing and provide masks if necessary.
- Restroom Facilities: Coach House – one person at a time in each of two restrooms
- Music: Will be solo provided by Music Minister. There will be no congregational singing.
- Collection plate: The plate will be placed centrally so offerings can be placed in it without the plate being passed from hand to hand. Authorized volunteers will wear gloves while counting and depositing the offering into the safe.
- Peace: The peace will be a simple bowing and closed hand gesture.

- Printed materials: No prayer books will be used. One-time use printed service bulletins will be provided on a table and we will ask they be taken home after use.
- We will shorten the Eucharist service to run approximately 45 minutes (one less scripture reading, less service music, abbreviated sermon, etc.).

Communion:

- Bread only without wine. Bread will remain covered with corporal cloth through the consecration. Altar guild member will use sanitary gloves in preparing paten.
- Clergy will thoroughly wash hands at a sink before the service.
- Only the celebrant will stand at the altar during the Great Thanksgiving, there will be no assistants.
- Only the celebrant will distribute bread wafers and will come to where people are seated. Bread will be distributed with silver tongs dropping it into people's hands (ask people to avoid touching clergy hand). Hand sanitizers will be available for use if there is accidental touching.
- Celebrant will wear a mask and go to each family grouping for distribution of communion.
- Post-service community: There will be no hospitality table for gathering after the service

Lastly, if in the unfortunate event that someone who is infected attends a service or becomes infected at a service, the diocesan leadership will be contacted immediately and will help/handle any public relations related issues if they occur.

Respectfully submitted:

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