

St. Peter
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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In-Person Worship and Gatherings at St. Peter

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Thank you to everyone at St. Peter for your love of neighbor and goodwill as we've navigated this time of Covid-19.

Our first priority is to love our neighbors, and the Church Council is committed to seeking to care for the health and spiritual needs of our church family and community. We will continue to offer worship via the radio at 104.3 FM and through our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/stpeterpd/) on Sunday mornings for all members, and especially for those who are not yet comfortable or able to come to in-person worship. We will continue to revise our plans based on the advice of public health officials and in light of research on risk factors for COVID-19 transmission. As we have said throughout the pandemic, we ask those who are feeling ill to worship with us from home.

For Indoor In-Person Worship:

- Masks are optional. Masks will continue to be welcome. *For the time being, worship leaders are still asked to wear masks when singing.*
- We have returned to full singing of hymns and liturgy.
- There is open seating throughout most of the sanctuary. We will still maintain a small section which is physically-distanced and where masks will be required on the west side of the Sanctuary (screen side).
- Children will be invited to help collect the Hungry Jar Offerings during the time of offering. Children are also invited to come forward for the Kid Talk. These activities are optional, and we support parents who would prefer to have their children remain seated with them.
- All those in worship will be invited to come forward during Communion. Those communing will receive the elements from the pastors and worship assistants. Those not receiving Communion will also be invited to come forward to receive a blessing.
- Congregation members are welcome to linger with one another after worship indoors for visiting and conversation.
- Coffee and refreshments can be offered indoors and outdoors.

For Outdoor In-Person Worship at the River:

- Masks are optional for everyone.
- We will have congregational singing.

For Sunday School and Confirmation Ministries:

- Masks are optional for all participants in Sunday School and Confirmation ministries.
- Masks will continue to be welcome for all children, youth, and adults.
- We will continue to support mask-wearing for youth that arrive with masks. We will continue to have masks available for children and youth that would like them.

For Other Small Group Gatherings Indoors at St. Peter:

- Masks are optional.
- *Masks will continue to be welcome at all gatherings.*
- Groups are responsible for disinfecting the tables and chairs that they use.
- Coffee and refreshments can be offered indoors and outdoors.

Questions? Contact us at stpeterpd@hotmail.com or (608) 326-6411.