

Beulah UMC Guidelines for In-Person Worship

1. Any person entering the building must be asymptomatic. All persons attending worship will read a Health Acknowledgment Poster and confirm to a greeter that they are in fact well, showing no signs of sickness nor having been exposed to any sickness. The Health Acknowledgement Poster will be posted outside of the building prior to entry.
2. Face coverings will be required for all participating in-person worship, clergy, staff, volunteers, laity, and guests. Masks must be worn once you exit your vehicle and must remain on until you return to your vehicle at the conclusion of the service.
3. Strict physical distancing of 6 feet or more at all times will be required. The pews have been marked off to allow for social distancing.
4. An 11:00 am in-person worship service will be held until the need arises to accommodate more people and have multiple services.
5. Online Worship will still be available at 11:00 am via Facebook and YouTube for those who are not able to attend in-person worship.
6. All vehicles will be parked by leaving an open space between each vehicle. A parking lot greeter will help direct vehicles to their spaces.
7. All worship participants will enter through the sanctuary doors and will exit through the main double doors. Prior to entry, each person's name will be recorded in order to do contact tracing. Upon entry, ushers will guide you and others in your household to your seating area.
8. Sanitizer stations will be available near entry ways for all worship participants.
9. Hymnals, Bibles, and other worship materials have been removed. We will provide digital words for worship elements as bulletins and other shared materials will not be used at this time.
10. There will be no choirs and no in-person singing, including congregational singing. Prerecorded music will be used as Meditation Music during in-person worship.
11. No groups can meet on Sunday mornings outside of worship, including Sunday School.

12. There will be no coffee, Breakfast Café, or gatherings for fellowship in the narthex or elsewhere on Sunday mornings.
13. Only the restrooms by the Volunteer Desk will be used.
14. Communion will be offered on the first Sunday of each month. Please stay tuned for more details.
15. Limited childcare will be provided at this phase. See details below:
 - a) Caregivers will wash hands immediately upon entering nursery and will have their temperature checked by Kelly or other adult volunteer.
 - b) All necessary cleaning and sanitizing supplies will be readily available but will be kept out of the reach of the children. All stuffed animals have been removed and all “touchable” surfaces have been reduced by 50%.
 - c) The temperature of all children will be checked before entering the nursery (this thermometer will be provided by the church).
 - d) Parents will not be able to bring anything from home except for diapering supplies; snacks and drinks are prohibited.
 - e) Children will be checked in and check out at the nursery door. Parents may not enter the nursery; a nursery caregiver will bring the child to the parent for checkout.
 - f) Parents are asked to maintain social distancing when checking children in and out of the nursery. There will be spots, indicated by tape on the floor, on which we will ask parents to wait.
 - g) At this phase we are only allowing children ages 4 and under in the nursery.
 - h) There is a bathroom within the nursery, as well as a second bathroom that will be accessible only to the nursery staff. These bathrooms will be cleaned prior to the children’s arrival and after all children have been checked out.