

## **Covid-19 Pandemic Safety Notice**

### **For all congregants entering St. Andrew's United Church – Chalk River**

The following safety notice/procedures for reopening St. Andrew's Church for in-person worship services are being put in place for when congregants enter St. Andrew's United Church under Phase 2 of our Reopening Plan which was approved by Church Council on June 10, 2020.

A copy of the Reopening Plan, Terms of Reference for the Reopening Committee and relevant minutes of Church Council meetings can be provided to you upon request.

This safety notice and procedures may be subject to change depending upon guidelines and/or restrictions outlined by the local health unit and/or the Province of Ontario and/or [Eastern Ontario Outaouais Regional Council \(EOORC\)](#) or their Executive.

Worship service time is 10:30 a.m. The service will also be live-streamed.

A greeter will be available for guidance and assistance to comply with wearing a mask and to explain/assist with maintaining social distancing of 2m and pew seating.

Hand sanitizer, gloves and non-medical masks will be available at the main entry door for use by congregants. Despite social distancing measures being in place, Church Council has directed that non-medical masks/face coverings be worn during the service. Please bring your own non-medical mask/face covering and gloves (if you desire to wear gloves) if you have them available.

Singing during the worship service is not permitted. Kurt Zhou, our musician, will play the hymns and other service music. Obviously, everyone can hum or say the words to hymns/songs while wearing a mask.

Hymn books and bibles have been removed from the pews in accordance with our Reopening Plan.

Pew seating will be marked to encourage physical distancing. Seating can take place in the back pew, the next pew will be skipped and then the next pew can be used etc.

The balcony and the downstairs area are closed until further notice as approved by Church Council.

There will be no gathering for coffee and fellowship until further notice. Please exit the church immediately after the service.

Please dispose of your used disposable masks and gloves in the receptacle(s) provided as you exit the church.

Names of attendees/congregants will be recorded for contact tracing purposes.

The Custodian will clean/disinfect all touchpoints/hard services after each worship service.

Gloves are optional. Hand washing can be completed in the washroom at the rear of the sanctuary Hand washing can be done in the washroom at the rear of the sanctuary or in the kitchenette.

If you have any questions about our safety measures that have been put in place for your protection and the protection of others during our worship service please talk with the greeter or a member of the Reopening Committee which are: Heather Wiegand, Nancy Dunham, Marj Kellow, Wendy Hawley, John Fleurie and Doug Tennant (613.281.6967)

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