

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL

Protocols and Procedures for Worshipers

Re-opening Guidelines:



With re-opening for in-person worship, there are very specific protocols and procedures that worshippers will need to follow. Consistent with our Diocese, Region 8 Bishops, and the Episcopal Church as a whole, we are being quite conservative, erring on the side of safety as we begin. This of course can be loosened as the community shows diminishing cases of Covid and the state and county medical guidelines mandate as such.

Specific protocols are as follows:

- ◆ We will plan for 40 fully vaccinated worshippers with one Sunday service at 11:00 AM.
- ◆ **Reservations are to be made on a first come, first serve basis by calling the Cathedral office Tuesday through Thursday (10:00 AM to 4:00 PM) prior to the Sunday service.**
- ◆ Attendees will be asked to verify contact information, give names of others who may be joining you as well as their contact information.
- ◆ With your first reservation you will be asked for the dates of your vaccinations. (Verification of the dates would be helpful.)
- ◆ A mask must be worn at all times while on the cathedral campus, except when consuming the Communion host.
- ◆ Ushers will seat and dismiss you. Communion will be brought to you at your seat by the serving priest or celebrant.
- ◆ An offering basket will be at the front of the back aisle – a collection cannot be passed.
- ◆ Bulletins will be on your seat, and when dismissed, if not taking it home, you may place it into the recycle basket near the exit.
- ◆ Remaining inside for socializing cannot occur at present.
- ◆ Most important: worship attendees are asked to commit to report to the cathedral office, within a 14-day period, if experiencing illness or symptoms of the coronavirus after having attended worship.

When coming to worship, you will arrive wearing a mask, and will be checked at the door to insure your reservation. An usher will lead you inside to be seated. We will seat people to the front first and move to the back. At the close of worship, ushers will dismiss you by working from the back first and moving to the front. Moving around the space and physically socializing cannot occur while in the space. We will not be singing; we will utilize non-wind instrumental music only. Communion happens with one specie only; a Communion host that will be dropped into your cupped hands. We will not be able to handle “walk-ins” at this time.

We will live stream our 11:00 AM Service each Sunday through our website with the YouTube platform, and it will be posted to Facebook later that day.