



# Christ Church

F A L L B R O O K

Offering hope and a home for families and those in need of family.

*Almighty God, our Strong Tower of defense in time of trouble: We offer You praise and heartfelt thanks for our deliverance from the dangers which lately surround us and for Your gracious gift of peace. We confess that Your goodness alone has preserved us; and we ask You still to continue Your mercies toward us, that we may always know and acknowledge You as our Savior and mighty Deliverer. Amen!*

**Dear Christ Church Family—We are so blessed to be able to gather in worship together each week. God is good and His mercies are new every morning. The following guide is upheld in prayer and regularly reevaluated as circumstances change. Please note the most recent updates in **BLUE**. We continue to look to the Lord, our strength and Redeemer!**

## **As We Worship Together –**

- Be at Peace.** We continue to monitor public guidelines and our own safety measures. Temperature checks are available for those who are concerned they might have a fever. Hand sanitizer is provided throughout the church. **Part of the peace we hope to offer, depends on each family self-monitoring for illness and staying away when appropriate. While all are invited to use personal discretion regarding masks, we ask that you be aware of the comfort level of those nearest you. It is the recommendation of the CDC that everyone (including children ages 2+) wear masks indoors. Again, we are allowing for personal discretion.**
- Be Active.** Greet, sit, stand, sing praises, and proclaim the Word, while still appropriately distancing.
- Make Adjustments.** Move around, and adjust chairs however you, your family, and your neighbor feel most comfortable.
- Let the Children Come.** Children will always be welcomed as a part of our worship time. Most of the kids meet outdoors for Sunday School. Preteens are in the church office. Children may join our worship at the start and will be dismissed after about 20 minutes. And they may always stay in the sanctuary if that is preferred. **Nursery care is currently led by volunteers as needed.**
- Be the Church.** Following our service, it would be best for extended fellowship to be held outside. On weeks when Coffee Hour is offered, it will be set up outdoors. “Go out into the world” and stay for fellowship as much as you desire and are comfortable.

## **Preparing For Worship –**

- Praying.** Pray for clergy and vestry, for their preparation in advance of worship, and for their leadership and support of the congregation during worship. Pray for each other, for joy and peace as we gather. Pray for those who are isolated, ill, grieving, or afraid.
- Self-Monitoring.** If you feel sick or have been around others who are sick, please feel free to use our livestream option to guide your worship at home. Let the church know if we can help with anything!
- Masking.** Face masks will be provided at the entrance if someone would like one. **Because of an increase of cases, CDC recommends wearing masks indoors. We invite you to use personal discretion.**

***\*A Note about Common Illness and Your Clergy:***

It is the policy of Christ Church clergy and their families that they be tested for Covid19 at the onset of any typical sick symptoms, whether mild or even allergic in nature. This is so we can provide the assurance that we have done everything in our power to create a safe environment. We have said, we cannot lead a service with even “the sniffles”, out of an abundance of caution. We do not do this out of fear of Covid or what may harm the body, nor out of any distrust in God’s healing power, but so to avoid ever having to shut our doors again. As common colds and ailments start to circulate again with the opening up of everyday activities, we continue to hold ourselves to this standard.