

May 8, 2020

A Note from Brian, Mark, and Terry

Now that Governor Justice has announced West Virginia's Comeback plan from the Coronavirus Pandemic, we're beginning the gradual process of reopening our worship services beginning Sunday, May 17.

On May 17, we will offer two service times for the purpose of maintaining physical distancing and limiting seating to every other pew as per the Governor's recommendations. The two service times are assigned by Group Number and are as follow:

<u>Service Time</u>	<u>To Be Attended By Group #</u>
9:00 AM- 10:00 AM	3, 4, 5, and 6
11:00 AM - 12:00 Noon	1 and 2
(For a limited time only, Groups 1 and 2 will be assembling in the Church parking lot for an outside service, weather permitting). Please bring your own chairs for seating. In case of bad weather, an indoor service will be available at 5:00 PM (Groups 1 and 2 only).	

***Questions and Answers***

**I don't feel that it's safe for me to return to services yet, due to my family situation, age and/or health condition. Will the online services still be available?** Yes, simply go to [www.orcofc.com](http://www.orcofc.com) and click on the "Sunday Service" tab. The morning service is usually posted by 10:30 AM and will remain available during this interim period.

**Will we have Bible Classes on Sunday Morning?** Not at this time. However, we hope to return to normal worship schedules, including Bible Classes, in the near future.

**Will Wednesday Evening Bible Study also begin the week of May 17?** Not yet, but we'll continue to post the Wednesday Evening Bible Study online. Click the "Wednesday Eve" tab on the Church website ([www.orcofc.com](http://www.orcofc.com)). Brent's lesson is available by 7:00 PM and often ready for viewing by late afternoon.

**Will we use the "Communion Packages" when attending services?** Yes. We plan to use the "Communion Packages" until we can safely return to our normal arrangement. And if you're planning to "Stay At Home" for a little while longer, we

still have a supply of communion packages that you are welcome to stop by and pick up. Just give Sue or Brent a call at (304) 363-1239 and make arrangements. If you're unable to get out, we can deliver the communion supplies to your home.

**What about the collection?** We'll begin taking the collection at services beginning May 17 and provisions will be made to do so safely. If you're planning to "Stay At Home" for a little while longer, you can either mail or drop off your collection to the Church Building. The address is 1 Oakwood Rd., Fairmont, WV 26554. Also, you may store up your collection and bring it when you're able to return to worship services.

**Do I need to wear a face covering to attend services?** We'll leave that decision up to you, but the Governor has recommended wearing a face covering. If you don't have a face covering, we have a limited supply available in the foyer. You're welcome to take one and keep it for your use.

**Will there be special seating arrangements for worship services?** Yes. In an attempt to maintain physical distancing as the Governor has recommended, the seat rows will be numbered and seating assignments will be issued as you enter the building. After services are concluded, you'll be dismissed by seat rows to avoid crowding in the foyer as you leave.

**Have any safety precautions been taken at the Church building?** Yes. The following steps are being taken to make our building safer.

1. Carpets and seats are scheduled to be professionally cleaned and disinfected during the week of May 10.
2. The seats will be sprayed with a disinfecting solution following each service.
3. Songbooks, pencils, and note cards have been removed from the seat racks. Songs will be part of the overhead screen presentation.
4. The water fountain has been removed from service.
5. The restrooms are limited to no more than 1 person at a time and hand washing is a must.
6. Limited supplies of Face Coverings are available in the foyer.
7. Hand Sanitizer will be available as you enter the building.

**How much longer until we can all attend Worship Services together?** We still don't know, but we continue to monitor government reports and are hopeful that the time is coming soon. As many of you, we miss assembling together with our Christian brothers and sisters. Let's continue to pray that it won't be much longer.

**How will I be contacted with additional information?** We'll continue to use the One Call system to communicate with you in addition to posting updates on the Church website. And remember, you can always call Sue or Brent at the building. Also, feel free to call Brian, Mark, or Terry anytime you have concerns or questions.

Many have suffered from this pandemic worldwide. Please pray for the recovery of those affected and pray for our leaders, first responders, and medical teams as they have all worked tirelessly to protect us.

As always, keep in touch with your Christian brothers and sisters. Call, text, or email those who may be in need of assistance or encouragement. Stay close to God by reading and studying His word. Take a moment each day to thank God for all of His blessings.

If you need assistance in anyway, we're just a phone call away. Hope to see you soon.