

On-Campus Attendee Instruction List



During the continued presence of the Covid-19 virus and as we seek to re-open our sanctuary for on-campus worship, First Presbyterian Church of Vero Beach is asking all worship attendees to honor and comply with the following worship guidelines. These worship times and guidelines will be in place at least until July 31 when they will be revisited.

Please know that choosing not to attend on-campus worship in the near and distance future is a choice each parishioner and each family must make on their own. Your decisions are based on your own health, physical and emotional needs. We validate your decision! We honor your decision! We will continue to strengthen and grow our livestream and virtual production of worship and all meetings and gathers. We are in a new season of congregational life and we will seek to honor the decisions you need to make. You are a valued member and friend of our fellowship whether you are physically or virtually present.

1. Parishioners will be asked to attend either the 8:30am, 9:45am, or the 11:00am service. All services will be in the sanctuary as the chapel cannot accommodate social distancing. Each service will last 45 minutes so that adequate cleaning and preparation can be achieved after each service. Parishioners are asked to commit to that same service time through July so that we can ensure attendance limits and appropriate social distancing.

2. Come to the church campus, parking in the North Parking Lot if possible. The sanctuary doors will open approximately 10-15 minutes prior to the service (seeking to promote social distancing with no congregating at the entrance doors) so please plan your arrival accordingly. Seek to maintain social distancing as you enter the sanctuary. Please do not physically greet anyone by embracing or touching. Practice social distancing (6 foot minimum).



3. Enter the sanctuary through the rear double doors that face the North Parking Lot. You will be greeted at the door by a "Virtual" greeter.

4. Please bring your own masks. To honor other worshipers, FPCVB is asking worshipers to wear masks.

5. If you have come prepared to give an "Estimate of Giving" commitment or a gift as an offering, plates are available at each door when you enter or when you leave. The plates will not be passed.

6. Please note that for at least the end of July, there will be no paper bulletins, announcements, or prayer lists printed or distributed. This is for your safety and for the safety of others. FPCVB will continue to send the bulletins, announcements and prayer list via email each Saturday. A QR Code will be located in each seating area. With a smart-phone, scan the QR Code and you will be redirected to several informational options that will assist your worship.

7. The ushers, also practicing social distancing, will “direct” you to authorized and available seating. The seating in the sanctuary will strive to allow for 8 feet of separation between worshipers. Thus, attendance at each service will be limited to 75-85 worshipers. Please accept the seating that is offered as seating has been prearranged in order to create adequate social distancing.

8. If you need a hearing assistance device, let us know ahead of time or simply get the attention of an usher and they will assist you.

9. Please continue to wear your mask especially when you sing hymns as singing adds to the aerosolizing of respiratory droplets. While awkward and bothersome to wear, the masks represent respect and honor toward those in attendance with us.

10. Worship God in the Spirit of Christ. Know that your attendance and presence is a witness that we will not surrender to isolation or pandemic. As we follow these guidelines, we can honor God and one another. Following these protocols is the definition of “love in action”

11. Following the Charge and Benediction, a closing refrain will be played and sung. When this refrain begins, you are asked to depart through the doors as directed by the ushers and the pastors. The purpose of this is to deter anyone from mingling and compromising the social distancing guidelines established by the White House Task Force, the CDC, the State of Florida and the Session of First Presbyterian Church of Vero Beach.

12. As you continue to maintain social distancing, return to your vehicle and celebrate the opportunity to be together no matter how seemingly constrained.

13. For the health and safety of our families and children, no Child Care will be available. Families are encouraged to sit with one another in worship. The sound of children will be a joy!

We know that these guidelines are both restrictive and bothersome. These guidelines are in place to ensure the safety of everyone. If FPCVB allows even one case of Covid-19 to occur on our campus, we will have to return to Livestream and restrict on-campus worship. We thank you for your patience, help and forbearance in all that we are striving to do.