



Church Reopening Frequently Asked Questions

1. When can we return to in-person worship at the church?

Due to the rapidly rising COVID-19 cases in LA County and the recent announcement of banning all indoor activities in worship centers by Gov. Newsom on 7/13/20, the church has decided to delay reopening in-person Sunday Service until further notice per recommendation by pastors and ministry leaders after prayers and discussions. The Reopening Taskforce will continue to monitor the pandemic situation and strictly follow the guidance provided by the government entities. We will continue to share the most updated public health information on the church website on a regular basis.

2. Will everyone be welcome to return to in-person worship?

Not yet. Congregants or public members, who have pre-existing medical condition and/or are of age 65 and over, regardless of their medical conditions, are discouraged to come to in-person worships, to the extent of the COVID-19 Pandemic. For details, please refer to [Los Angeles County Department of Public Health Guidance for Faith-Based Organizations](#)

3. Can anyone just walk in to attend worships?

Not yet. In order to maintain health safety, in-person worship, when allowed, must be kept at 25% of the capacity of the church's sanctuary or less than 100, whichever number is smaller; furthermore, attendants' contact info. is recorded in case of future notifications for possible virus exposure warranted; as such, online registration will BE STRONGLY AND NECESSARILY needed for in-person worship.

4. Are you going to continue offering children's and youth's services?

Not at this point. To minimize health risk, during the first phase of the re-opening, child care and youth in-person worship services will be suspended until further notice. Parents are encouraged to participate in online-worship with their children at home. Youth members are encouraged to attend once-a-month in-person worship at the ACC in the interim. Please contact ACC for further information.

5. Will you continue offering online worship?

Yes. Worships will be live-streamed during church services, so those who cannot attend in-person worship are welcome to [worship online](#)

6. What are you doing now to sanitize your church building?

- a. Entire church premises will be thoroughly sanitized prior to reopening to worship
- b. Sanitization procedure be conducted before and after each service
- c. Social distancing will be strictly enforced
- d. Face mask will be required of everyone at the church premises

- e. Personal hygiene enhancing facilities will be in place at various locations throughout the church campus to ensure health safety

7. Should you add and/or shorten worship services to allow for social distancing?

To ensure enough time for between-service sanitization be conducted, worship time will be limited to about one hour. Electronic equipment and sanctuary will be sanitized prior to next worship.

8. Will there be live-in-person worship singing at the church? Will everyone be allowed to sing praises along?

No. Temporarily, live-in-person worship singing will NOT be conducted at the sanctuary during service. Worship songs will be pre-recorded and displayed on screen, and congregants may silently enjoy and meditate during the music worship. Congregants are discouraged to openly sing along in hopes of minimizing the risk of germs being spread into the air

9. What are you going to do about Sunday School programs?

Sunday School programs will remain online until further notice.

10. Who will enforce physical health safety practices?

Our trained volunteer staff members will be responsible in implementing the health safety guideline in terms of monitoring and maintaining safety procedure, including but not limited to, facility hygiene maintenance, social distancing, face mask, and parking arrangement.

11. If I still do not feel safe at this point to return to in-person worship at church, what should I do?

During this unprecedented pandemic in our country, each family in our community is facing different challenges. We do understand that you would prioritize your family's safety above other things. As such, we welcome and encourage your family to continue on-line-worship in the interim. However, we do pray that we would re-join your family at our church's in-person worship soon. While our committee members and other key church leaders are faithfully striving to ensure a safe re-opening of our church, we do need you to do your part in preparation for returning to our church. You may obtain further information and clarification from our pamphlet ["How Can I Collaborate in the Re-opening Effort?"](#), which will be in circulation soon. Meanwhile, we urge you to listen to upcoming messages from our Lord, conveyed via our beloved pastors, that He is actively preparing a best plan for you and your family, through which you may ready your heart and mind prior to returning to in-person worship.

12. How would the church respond if someone who attended a church service tests positive for COVID19?

When such info is made known to us, the church will notify other congregants for potential risk of virus exposure via the following means:

- a. Mass warning emails to congregants who attended service with the infected one/ones. If no email address, we would telephone those regarding possible exposure

- b. If a congregant develops symptoms as a result of exposure, he or she should consult his/her own physician or get own COVID-19 testing. Although asymptomatic testing is available, it is not recommended to get testing when asymptomatic as a positive test can still occur even if someone has had a past infection in the past month or two
- c. Church should cease in-person meetings for at least 14 days to allow exposed individuals to complete quarantine and to obtain testing, if needed. Would also allow the church to revisit current protocols and rethink ministry strategy

13. If I have tested positive for COVID-19 after attending a church service, how would I notify the church?

You may email your cell group leader, zone supervisor, church board members, pastors, or our church website, indicating the positive test result, thereby affording us a chance to warn others.

14. Where can I obtain further COVID-19 information about quarantine?

Each exposed or concerned congregant is advised to follow following home quarantine/ isolation protocol per LA county guidelines:

<http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/acd/ncorona2019/covidquarantine/>

<http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/acd/ncorona2019/covidisolation/>

15. Who do I contact should I have further questions?

Please contact your cell group or congregation leaders.