

Health & Safety Guidelines for Return to Worship at FBC

We look forward to gathering for worship at FBC Stoneham for the first time in three months on Sunday, July 5 at our summer worship time of 10 a.m.!

We welcome all who would like to join us, but we advise those who are 65+ and/or have pre-existing conditions that, while we will do all that we can to minimize the risk of virus spread, there is still a potential of it.



Things will be a little different when we gather again. Here's what to expect:

- The service will be shorter, about 30-35 minutes.
- Although July 5 is the first Sunday of the month we will not have Communion.
- Nursery and children's church are suspended until further notice.
- Greeters will be outside only (weather permitting), to allow for social distancing.
- No bulletins – the order of service and Scripture will be projected on the wall.
- Offering plates will be available in the sanctuary but will not be passed.
- Music will be part of the service, but it will not include any congregational singing for the time being for health reasons.
- We are, sadly, suspending Fellowship & Coffee hour in order to comply with social distancing.
- Sunday School classes will not meet in person until further notice. The adult class meets via Zoom. You are welcome to join us! Please contact Pastor Norm for information.

Additional health and safety guidelines

- If you feel sick or feverish, please stay home.
- There will be hand sanitation stations available.
- Wear a face mask, scarf covering, or bandana around the mouth and nose (except for children under two years old). Face masks will be available for those that need them at the entrance to the sanctuary. Please keep your mask on during the service and take it with you after the service.
- Social distancing: Please keep six feet apart, except for family units of the same household.
- The restroom will be available, but please use it only if it is a necessity.
- The church will be sanitized between services.

These health and safety guidelines are not permanent but will be followed for the foreseeable future as we journey further into this “new normal.” We understand that it will be hard not to hug each other and share in close conversation after being away for so long, but it is a necessary precaution for everyone's health and safety. We hope to see you on July 5th!

Let everything that has breath praise the Lord.
Psalm 150: 6