Returning to Calvary

Return to Calvary Task Force

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Preparations

The Return to Calvary (R2C) Task Force has developed a plan for a limited number of worshipers to return to the Calvary nave for Morning Prayer on Sunday, June 7, in accordance with Bishop Phoebe Roaf's directive. Dr. Henry Sullivant arranged for a May 11 onsite visit by Marianne Ivie and Tom Kurlick, Infection Prevention specialists for the Baptist Health system. They walked through our service plans from parking lot to pew and back out again, and this plan incorporates their input.

- Building access is limited to Calvary's nave and the restrooms outside Crump Parlor.
- Worship will continue to be live-streamed, so that the majority of people can continue to worship from home.
- Our liturgy will be Morning Prayer, with no congregational singing.
- No formation, coffee hour, or other groups will be permitted at this time, with the possible exception (pending diocesan approval) of AA meetings.
- Three clergy, one organist/choirmaster, and two singers will lead worship from the chancel, with singers spaced at 10'+.
- All printed materials have been removed from the pews/church.
- Masks, gloves, and hand sanitizer are available at all entrances.

Requirements

- Worshipers will register for service attendance either by phone or online, as Calvary's nave can hold only 32 households at a minimum physical distance of 6'+.
- Parishioners will be alerted online and with onsite signage of the 9 symptoms of COVID-19 and asked to continue to worship from home if they have experienced any of them in previous 24 hours.
- Parishioners will be alerted to risk factors and comorbidities associated with age and preexisting health conditions and asked to consider them before attending.
- Worshipers and ushers will be asked to bring and wear their own masks or scarves, and masks will be provided for those who do not have them.

Sunday Worship

- 1. All worshipers who do not have mobility issues will enter from 2nd Street, through the red front doors of the church.
- 2. Households will wait at a 6' physical distance on the 2nd St. sidewalk until admitted by an usher.
- 3. Worshipers with mobility issues will enter through the west (alley) entrance. Ushers will escort them to the elevator, and ushers on the second floor will direct them to the nave.

- 4. An usher (masked & gloved) will hand bulletins to worshipers, and direct them to an usher in one of the three aisles for seating. Worshipers will be asked to take their bulletins home with them.
- 5. Ushers will seat one household at a time, from front to back, in every third pew, at a 6'+ distance from household at other end of pew.
- 6. At conclusion of worship, ushers will dismiss worshipers, one row at a time, from back to front.

Initially Calvary will offer a single Sunday morning service at 10am, but when other service times are added, sufficient time will be allotted for sanitization of the pews and nave.

Wednesday Noonday Prayers

Calvary's regular 12:05pm Wednesday Eucharist will be replaced with a service of spoken Noonday Prayers. Physical distancing, seating, and mask usage as described in Sunday Morning Prayer protocol will be required.