

June 12, 2020

Greetings in our Lord,

Let's celebrate! Last night, our Leadership Team approved Cannon Beach Community Church to **regather for weekly worship, beginning on Sunday, July 5, 2020**. We plan to regather for worship in a Christ-honoring, healthy way that fulfills our vision to *Know Christ, Grow in Christ together, Go with Christ into our Community and World.*

Four months ago, on March 16, 2020, our Leadership Team suspended all gatherings at Community Church Building "until further notice," due to public health concerns related to the coronavirus global pandemic. On May 19th, our Worship Planning Taskforce began meeting weekly to prepare for this regathering. Thanks to Debbie Morris, Jon and Leah Way, Athena Dickau and Nathan Daniels who have served to put this regathering plan together.

Beginning Sunday, July 5, 2020, we will regather for weekly worship with a maximum capacity in the Sanctuary of 50 people, in well-spaced seating areas marked off in the Sanctuary. Our weekly worship schedule beginning Sunday, July 5, 2020, will be as follows:

- Sunday 9am: Contemporary Worship
- Sunday 11am: Classic Worship.
- Weds 6pm: Contemporary Worship (a repeat of Sunday 9am service).

Beginning July 5th, we also launch into Immerse/Messiah, reading through the New Testament July through December 2020, with weekly messages from the Gospel of Matthew and Book of Hebrews. We will have Messiah Bibles available to pick up at the Church Building at the Welcome Center by Monday, June 22nd. You are welcome to pick up a new Messiah Bible, or if you prefer, simply pull your Messiah Bible from 2019 off the shelf and reread that edition.

As we regather for weekly worship, we seek to love "the least of these brothers and sisters" (Matthew 25:40) by caring for the most vulnerable. To best love others as Jesus loves us, when we regather for worship, our Leadership Team offers these guidelines:

- **Physical Distancing:** We encourage everyone to maintain physical distance of 6 feet, to refrain from hugging and hand-shaking as much as possible at this time.
- At Risk: We encourage at-risk or ill people (such as elderly persons with chronic or underlying medical conditions) to continue sheltering at home.
- **Air-flow:** We will leave doors and windows open with ceiling fans moving in the sanctuary to allow for fresh airflow. We encourage you to dress warmly for worship.
- **Face Masks:** We encourage everyone to wear face masks. Masks will be available onsite in the Fellowship Hall or Welcome Center in the Lobby if you forgot to bring a mask.
- Offerings: Offerings may be made online or dropped into an Offering Box mounted on the back wall of the Sanctuary near the exit.
- **Communion:** July 5th is Communion Sunday. Communion Elements will be available in individual packages for each person to pick up as you come to the Communion Service.
- Cleaning: Our newly formed Clean Team will disinfect surfaces, including after each restroom use in the Lobby, and after each service.
- Singing: We will sing during worship, but fewer songs and 'from the heart' to the Lord.

• **Children:** We invite children to remain with parents in Sanctuary for worship during Phase Two. We will provide family-friendly resources during worship. During Phase Two, we've suspended all our Children's Ministry and Nursery services.

Here are a few other important things to note as we prayerfully prepare for July 5, 2020.

We will continue to record weekly worship services, making them available online at our Community Church YouTube channel. There are some who may be unable to regather with us, due to illness, pre-existing conditions, or geography. Please join us online.

Because seating in Sanctuary will be limited to 50 people during Phase 2, it would help us greatly if our Members and Friends could let us know which service (if any) you plan to attend each week. Please click the link provided in this e-mail to complete a short survey and help us be better prepared to welcome you.

We are suspending all "meet and greet" times in worship during Phase Two. We know this will feel awkward because we are such a warm and welcoming church family. We want to care for the most vulnerable. We encourage you to meet and greet others outside in the open air, before or after each service respecting proper physical distancing as you greet others. Thanks for your understanding and forbearance.

During the service, we invite you to make online offerings through www.beachcommunity.org at our Online Giving Tab. We are installing an Offering Box on the back wall of the Sanctuary where you can hand-deliver your weekly offerings of checks or cash.

At the conclusion of each worship service, people will be dismissed row by row, beginning with back rows, to prevent potential health risks from close contact after worship.

Thanks for your faithful financial support of the ministry and mission of Cannon Beach Community Church. As of the end of May, 2020, our total income was \$168,342.64 and our Budget through May was \$164,088.47. We are so grateful for your generous and sacrificial giving to support the ongoing ministry and mission of Cannon Beach Community Church!

Thanks for your prayers and flexibility as we seek to honor our Lord Jesus Christ by regathering for worship at Community Church building in a few weeks. We know these times have been difficult for many, yet they have also given us new opportunities to love our neighbors in creative ways.

As Paul writes in Romans 12, let us "give our bodies to God because of all he has done for us. Let our lives be a living and holy sacrifice—the kind he will find acceptable. This is truly the way to worship him. Let God transform us into a new person by changing the way we think. Then we will learn to know God's will for our lives, which is good and pleasing and perfect."

We have really missed you these last three months and look forward to worshipping with you face to face on July 5th, offering our lives as a "living and holy sacrifice," letting God "transform us into new persons" in our Lord Jesus Christ!

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