



REENTRY PLAN FOR EXPANDED CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Caring for Preschoolers, Children, Students and their Leaders During the Covid-19 Pandemic

Effective August 23, 2020

We are excited to begin providing opportunities on campus to care for, teach and engage children of all ages and their families.

- **Beginning August 23**, we will offer Extended Teaching Care (ETC) for preschoolers and Children's worship during the **Sunday morning 11 am worship service**.
- **Beginning September 2**, we will offer activities for families including children of all ages on Wednesday nights from 6:30 – 7:30. **Pastor Larry will also host his weekly bible study in the sanctuary at the same time.**

To reduce health risks to the children, their families, and the leaders, the following protocols have been put in place. Thank you for your patience and cooperation as we enter this phase of expanded activities.

PROTOCOLS

General Wellness

If anyone in your family shows **any sign of illness**, we ask that you stay home until everyone is well again. Please take the temperature of everyone attending on campus before leaving home. If it is 100 degrees or greater **even if there are no other signs of illness**, please wait until a later date to join us on campus.

Arrival and Dismissal

For Sunday worship: Please enter by proceeding to the sidewalk used for sanctuary arrival, and then turning right following the sidewalk leading into the Administrative building. Proceed toward the Gathering Place maintaining physical distancing from other family units. You will enter these same doors after worship to pick up your child.

Preschoolers: Families will check their preschooler in and out at the desk outside the Gathering Place for any on campus event.

For Children's Worship on Sundays: Your child will be dismissed from worship and escorted to the Gathering Place. Each child will use hand sanitizer upon entering with adult supervision. Parents will pick up their child outside the Gathering Place.

For Wednesdays: Please enter through the doors closest to the Gathering Place or the doors near the church office and Founders Hall. Please maintain a physical distance of 6' or more from other family units as you proceed to the Gathering Place. (A Bible study time for adults in the sanctuary from 6:30 – 7:30 will also happen on Wednesdays using the same protocols in place on Sunday morning which includes being seated by a volunteer.)

Just For Preschoolers

Families will check their preschooler in and out at the desk outside the Gathering Place. We will be using the A hallway nearest the Gathering Place.

Because preschoolers cannot maintain physical distancing, we are adding an additional layer of protection. At arrival, we will take your child's temperature with a touchless thermometer. If the temperature is 100 degrees or higher, we ask you to join us at a later date for the protection of everyone's health. Please help us by taking temperatures before leaving home.

After completing the check in process, a team leader will then take your preschooler to the classroom, and children will wash their hands or use hand sanitizer immediately upon arrival in the classroom.

At the end of the time with us, you will check out at the same desk and we will bring your child to you at the same location. We ask that you exit directly to the parking lot through the closest doors.

Parents and siblings are asked to remain outside the preschool hallway at all times.

Physical Distancing

Throughout your time on campus and while in line to drop off or pick up your child, please maintain a physical distance of 6-10 feet from other family units.

We do not expect preschoolers to remain physically distanced while in the classroom. They will be free to play as preschoolers do.

Activities for elementary age children, students and adults will be designed to facilitate physical distancing between individuals or family units.

Masks and Face Coverings

Masks or face coverings are required on campus for adults and children over the age of 6 in compliance with the Duval County mandate.

Although it is not a requirement for preschoolers to wear face coverings, CDC and American Academy of Pediatrics recommend that children 2 and older who can reliably wear a face mask should do so. This means they can wear it without frequently touching or removing it.

See: [Face Coverings for Children](#) and [How to Wear a Mask](#)

Temperature Checks

Parents should check their child's temperature before leaving home. Every preschooler and preschool leader will also have their temperature taken upon arrival to the preschool area. Individuals with a fever of 100 or higher (even with no other COVID symptoms) will be asked to wait until a later date to participate for the protection of everyone's health.

Because physical distancing will be observed for all other age groups, we will not be checking temperatures per the advice of the Medical Advisory Team.

Handwashing

All preschoolers and leaders will be required to wash their hands upon arriving and frequently throughout the event, including when returning from outside play and before eating.

All other age groups will be asked to use hand sanitizer when arriving in the location of their activity.

Wellness Checks

We will look for signs of illness in children, students and leaders upon arrival. The parents of unwell children will be notified and asked to pick up their child right away to help stop the spread of illness. As a precautionary measure and to limit the spreading of illness, unwell children will be isolated with a caregiver while waiting for their parent.

There are many symptoms associated with COVID-19. In an abundance of caution, we will assume the presence of any of these symptoms may contribute to individuals becoming ill. We ask everyone who is ill or lives in a household with someone who is ill to wait until a later date when everyone is well to participate.

COVID-19 symptoms include fever, cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, chills, repeated shaking with chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, eye discharge, undiagnosed rash, new loss of taste or smell, congestion or runny nose, fatigue that inhibits participation in regular activities, nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea, and more. For a complete and up to date list, please click here: [COVID-19 Symptoms](#)

Public Spaces

All public water fountains will be closed. While in public spaces such as hallways and while waiting to dropoff or pick up children, please keep a minimum of 6-10 feet apart from other family units.

<p>Cleaning and Sanitizing</p>	<p>Rooms will be thoroughly disinfected after any event using EPA-approved disinfectants. Leaders will routinely clean, sanitize, and disinfect classrooms throughout the activity as needed, wiping down all frequently touched areas focusing on toys and other objects and surfaces that are frequently used.</p>
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HEALTH RISK MITIGATION POLICY

We are choosing to be very cautious in trying to stop the possible transmission of COVID-19. We understand there may be an inconvenience in not being able to attend, but we believe it is critical for the health of everyone involved.

Please join us at a later date if:

- You have tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 10 days
- Your or someone in your household is assumed positive for COVID-19
- You are awaiting COVID-19 test results arising from signs of illness or a possible exposure to COVID-19
- You have been exposed to someone who is known or suspected to be positive for COVID-19 in the last 14 days.

COVID EXPOSURE:

What happens if someone who was part of an on campus activity is diagnosed with COVID-19?

If anyone is diagnosed with COVID-19 within 14 days after being part of an on campus activity, we request that you notify the minister responsible for that event. We will follow guidance from the state and local health departments. We will protect the confidentiality of the individual who is COVID-19 positive and will notify participants who may have been exposed.

The CDC defines an exposure as someone who spent 15 minutes or more with another individual at less than 6 feet apart. Individuals who may have been exposed are asked to follow CDC guidelines on self-quarantining before returning to campus.

What if someone doesn't have any symptoms, but has been exposed to someone with COVID-19?

We will follow CDC guidelines if a leader or child has been exposed to someone who is known or assumed positive for COVID-19.

We ask that children, their family members and any Deermeadows leaders wait to participate until after the recommended quarantine period by the CDC and Health Department following exposure to any member of their household, or any other person with whom they have been in close contact who has tested positive or is assumed positive for COVID-19.

See [Quarantine Guidelines](#) from the CDC for more information.