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Dear Good Shepherd Family,

We are very excited to be introducing indoor in-person worship again starting on April 11. At first we will have a limited number of services and seating (we will cap attendance at 30 for the first two weeks) but plan to increase to more in the subsequent weeks.

Each week there will also continue to be an online option for worship.

Here is our schedule for indoor, in person worship for April 11, 18 and 25. Registration will be required for all in person worship services. You can register through Realm or by calling the church office at (513) 891-1700. Registration will open on Monday at Noon the week of each service.

April 11: We will have one in person worship service in the sanctuary at 9am which will be a Contemporary service. Maximum attendance will be 30. There will also be an outdoor family worship service on the West side of the building (by the old kitchen door) at 10am.

April 18: We will have one in person worship service in the sanctuary at 11am which will be a Traditional service. Maximum attendance will be 30. There will also be an outdoor family worship service on the West side of the building (by the old kitchen door) at 10am.

April 25: April 25: We will expand to two in-person worship services in the sanctuary

9am Contemporary service (limited capacity)

11am Traditional service (limited capacity)

There will also be an outdoor family worship service on the West side of the building (by the old kitchen door) at 10am.

Looking ahead to May we are planning to have **three worship services** in the sanctuary each weekend:

Saturday at 5pm--Traditional

Sunday at 9am—Contemporary

Sunday at 11am—Traditional

We will continue our outdoor Family Worship Service at 10am through the month of May.

As we prepare to worship again in our sanctuary, here is what you can expect:

- Registration prior to attending will be required, which can be done through Realm or by calling the church office. Registration will open at Noon on the Monday before the scheduled service.
- On the day of worship, you should be in good health and not experiencing any COVID symptoms. If you are feeling ill and have a reservation, please stay home. If you or anyone in your family has been exposed to COVID-19 and is in isolation, please remain in isolation.
- You will be checked in at a table in the lobby to ensure that we do not exceed our agreed upon safe seating capacity and for purposes of keeping an accurate contact tracing list for each service. There will also be a temperature check.
- Face masks are required for your entire stay.
- As you enter the sanctuary an usher will help you find a seat. We encourage filling the church from the front to the back and then dismissal from the back to the front to lessen close contact among worshippers.
- Pews will be cordoned off to help maintain safe distancing. We will be asking each family to maintain a six-foot distance from other groups/individuals in your pew. There will be a foam “spacer” in each pew to help ensure a proper distance between family units.
- As you enter the sanctuary, an offering plate will be available to place your offering before or after worship, an offering will not be taken during worship. On Communion Sundays individually sealed communion cups will be available for you to take to your seat. Communion will take place seated in your pew. There will also be a bulletin for some services.

- Numerous studies have indicated that limiting singing during large indoor gatherings significantly decreases the likelihood of spreading the disease. There will be music provided, but we ask that you refrain from singing at this time.
- The coffee station and drinking fountains will not be available.
- We ask you to exit the building before taking time to stop and converse with others.
- We will not be holding indoor Sunday School at this time; however, our Family Worship will be held outside on the West side of our building each week at 10am.
- Nursery care will not be offered during worship at the present time.

We look forward to gathering again as a church family. If you have any questions about in person worship or need assistance with registering please call the church office at (513) 891-1700, or get in touch with one of the Pastors or a member of the COVID Task Force. The Task Force members are: Hans Schwarz, Karen Eller, Jim Messner, Chris Fitz, Tracey Long, Dave Dietrichson and Pastor Heidi Johns.