

## St. James Relaunch Plan Phase 4

St. James is committed to following the goal John Wesley set for us, “Do No Harm.” As we continue to live through the changing world of COVID-19, we have updated our COVID-19 policy to reflect recent changes in CDC guidelines. This revision takes into consideration that the COVID-19 vaccine is just now being administered to children and youth 12 years and older. In order, to protect younger children and those who cannot receive the vaccine for medical reasons, these guidelines have been adopted effective May 20, 2021.

1. Effective immediately, masks are no longer required on our church campus for those who are fully vaccinated. Please keep in mind that some adults and youth are not yet fully vaccinated and that children under 12 are ineligible for the vaccine at this point.
2. So in order to be hospitable to children and their families, as well as to adults who are unable to receive the vaccine, we ask that if you are not vaccinated you continue to wear a mask.
3. For children’s and youth Sunday school and programs, masks will continue to be *required for everyone – regardless of vaccination status* at least thru August 1. Social distancing of 3 feet must also continue to be observed.
4. Online registrations will continue to require for worship, child care, and children’s Sunday School at least through August 1. This is for the purpose of tracking attendance and vaccination rates. It will also allow time for recruitment and re-training of worship volunteers.
5. Onsite check-in for the purposes of contact tracing is no longer required for guests, church members or employees.
6. The sanctuary and Worship Center will continue to encourage social distancing of 3 feet. Ushers will continue to assist with seating of individuals and the dismissal of participants. This will allow us to increase our seating capacity to 350 individuals per worship venue. We will reevaluate this policy in the coming weeks.
7. There will continue to be two services at least thru August 1. (Exceptions June 13, July 4, and July 11.)
8. During Communion servers will be masked and gloved. The altar rail will continue to be closed at this time.

### **Adult Small Groups and Sunday School Classes**

9. Social distancing of 3 feet must continue to be observed.
10. In order to be hospitable to children and their families, as well as to adults who are unable to receive the vaccine, we ask that if you are not vaccinated you continue to wear a mask.
11. Water fountains and coffee service will not be available at this time in hallways, classrooms, and kitchens.
12. Groups/individuals may bring their own coffee, water, and individually wrapped food items.

### **Outside Building Use (Groups not associated with St. James)**

13. Outside groups may use the facilities at this time, provided they follow the appropriate safety guidelines.
14. In order to be hospitable to children and their families, as well as to adults who are unable to receive the vaccine, we ask that if you are not vaccinated you continue to wear a mask.

### **Mission/Outreach**

Any mission ministry approved for food preparation/recovery/distribution must ....

- Wear masks and gloves at all times when preparing or serving food.
- Gloves must be changed frequently to prevent cross-contamination of food.
- When at all possible, meals should be served in individual containers. Buffet lines are strongly discouraged.
- Number of individuals in the CLC commercial kitchen shall not exceed 10 at any given time. Social distancing should be maintained as much as possible.
- Number of individuals in the Jones Hall commercial kitchen is limited to four people. Social distancing should be maintained as much as possible.
- The Mission Café may provide bottled water, canned soft drinks, and individually packaged snacks. No coffee nor donated food items will be available at this time.

### **Children Enrichment Ministries**

- Employees are required to wear masks when indoors.
- Unless required by licensing, temperature checks and answers to COVID exposure questions are no longer required.

# Choosing Safer Activities

Accessible link: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/participate-in-activities.html>

	Unvaccinated People	Examples of Activities	Fully Vaccinated People
		<b>Outdoor</b>	
Safest		Walk, run, wheelchair roll, or bike outdoors with members of your household	
		Attend a small, outdoor gathering with fully vaccinated family and friends	
		Attend a small, outdoor gathering with fully vaccinated and unvaccinated people	
Safer		Dine at an outdoor restaurant with friends from multiple households	
Safer		Attend a crowded, outdoor event, like a live performance, parade, or sports event	
		<b>Indoor</b>	
Less Safe		Visit a barber or hair salon	
		Go to an uncrowded, indoor shopping center or museum	
		Attend a small, indoor gathering of fully vaccinated and unvaccinated people from multiple households	
Least Safe		Go to an indoor movie theater	
		Attend a full-capacity worship service	
		Sing in an indoor chorus	
		Eat at an indoor restaurant or bar	
		Participate in an indoor, high intensity exercise class	

## Get a COVID-19 vaccine



**Prevention measures not needed**

**Take prevention measures**  
Wear a mask, stay 6 feet apart, and wash your hands.

- Safety levels assume the recommended prevention measures are followed, both by the individual and the venue (if applicable).
- CDC cannot provide the specific risk level for every activity in every community. It is important to consider your own personal situation and the risk to you, your family, and your community before venturing out.



[cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://cdc.gov/coronavirus)

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