

IN-PERSON WORSHIP

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's)

What will indoor worship look like? Clergy and leaders of worship will be limited in number, and will be distanced from the congregation. They will be wearing face coverings. 8 AM service will take place in Centennial Chapel, and 10 AM service will be in the nave.

Will there still be outdoor worship offered? Yes! There are still services outside on Sundays at 9 AM, 11 AM, 5 PM.

Will there be Communion offered or singing during service? Not at this time. While we understand that our community values these practices, they are currently not safe enough for us to offer.

The parking garage across the street is currently closed. Where should I park? There is metered parking available on the street. Please note that payment is required after 2 PM.

Where should I enter and exit? We ask that for in-person services, folks enter on Fourth Street, and exit on Sycamore Street. Entrances and exits will be clearly marked.

Once inside the building, will it be clear to me where to go and what the expectations are? Yes. We will have an abundance of signage to remind folks about the safety practices in place to keep our community safe. One of the first things we ask of attendees is that you check in with ushers so that we can confirm your registration on our list and/or add your information for contact tracing purposes.

I'm over 65 years of age, but I do not currently have any current or underlying health issues that put me at risk. Can I still come to church? We ask that every individual who would like to worship in person make a very conscientious decision when choosing to attend in person. The health of our community rests largely with each individual's ability to adhere to the safest possible practices.

Will someone be checking temperatures when people arrive at church? No, but cathedral leadership reserves the right to do so if there is a concern for someone's health and the well-being of the larger congregation.

I feel fine, but someone I have recently been in contact with is sick/has COVID. Should I come to church? No. For the safety of our community, we ask that you worship

virtually until such a time when you are confident that you are not putting yourself or others at risk.

Do I really have to wear a **face covering for the whole service, even though I am only sitting with people from my household?** Yes.

How will I/we know **where to sit to be safe?** Chairs will be clearly set in place for physical distancing in Centennial Chapel. Pews with ample spacing between them will be clearly marked in the nave. If there is a sign or if a pew has been cordoned off, it will not be available for seating. As a reminder, only family units may sit together.

Will I receive a worship bulletin and have **access to a Bible or a **Book of Common Prayer**?** We ask attendees to bring their own books if they like, and the service bulletins will be available online so people can follow along with their own personal device(s).

Will we be allowed to **safely gather before or after service to connect with members of our community that we have not seen for quite some time?** No. We will not be offering coffee hour following service, and social in-person gathering is discouraged at this time. We ask that people come for worship, and leave immediately following the end of the service.

Will you have **hand sanitizer available and can we use the **restrooms**?** Yes.

Can **children come to church at this time?** Children are welcome to attend with their families, but there will be no nursery care or busy boxes available at this time

I'm still not comfortable gathering in person. How can I participate? The 10 AM in-person service will be live streamed. You can find the link and all worship information at <https://cincinnatiathedral.com/cc/worship/>.