

“God who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine.” (Ephesians 3:20)

An update from the Board, Resurrection Team and Pastor Karna

Dear OSLC members and friends,

This past Memorial weekend was the first holiday since the pandemic with greater lifting of restrictions. We hope you and your loved ones had a safe and meaningful holiday. We've been praying for the past 15 months for God to bring healing to our world. There is good news. Based on the scientific evidence of the high local vaccination rates and continued lowering infection rates, we have reason to be hopeful. These are significant milestone markers. We believe that we are now progressing to a new stage of pandemic life. After prayerful and strategic conversation, we have updated our guidelines for indoor worship at Our Savior's beginning in June 2021:

These next steps are based on CDC and the State of MN information as approved by the Resurrection Team and the board:

- Individuals, 2+ weeks post final vaccination, are welcome without a mask inside the building, unless they choose to wear one. This includes worship leaders, congregants and service participants.
- Those vaccinated may speak and sing without masks; if you are unvaccinated, please continue to wear your mask while singing or speaking.
- Those not vaccinated are welcome inside the building while wearing a mask over their nose and mouth.
- The CLC will be used for both traditional (8:00) and contemporary (10:30) worship. Seating will be socially distant.
- Leadership will review moving traditional worship to the sanctuary by July.
- Heightened cleaning protocols will continue to be used and hand sanitizer will continue to be available throughout the building.
- We will continue to utilize single serving communion.
- Please stay home if you are feeling sick or have been told to quarantine due to an exposure to Covid-19.
- Online services will continue at this time.
- Coffee hour: those vaccinated may participate without masks, those unvaccinated should wear masks unless eating or drinking.

While we are not quite at the finish line of the pandemic journey, we are hopeful this is part of the final stretch. We want to thank each of you for your sacrificial love for each other, for Christ, and for our wider community and world. God is so very faithful to lead us to a new and bright future. We have full confidence that God will continue to bless Our Savior's and empower us to share Christ's love. We look forward to seeing you in worship.

Faithfully,

Pastor Karna
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