



OUR SAVIOR'S

Lutheran Church

NEW ULM, MN

*A Welcoming Community, Experiencing God, Reaching Out
and Raising up Followers of Jesus Christ.*

September 9, 2020

Dear Members and Friends of Our Savior's:

We are happy to write to tell you about our plans for beginning to worship in our sanctuary! The church council, using recommendations from the health team, have decided on the best way to proceed safely. We will begin worshipping indoors on Sunday, September 20th.

Our times for worship services are changing slightly. Worship will continue to be on Facebook Live at 8:30AM, YouTube, and on the public access stations. We will worship at these times and places:

- **Sundays** - 8:30AM in the Sanctuary; and 10:30AM in the Social Hall
- **Wednesdays** - 7:00PM in the Sanctuary

Other things you need to know about indoor worship during this time:

- **Entry to the church** on Sundays will be at the main doors in the parking lot and circle drive.
- **Holy Communion** will be served at each worship service. We will not be able to gather around the altar at this time, but will share in the Lord's Supper as we leave worship. The pastors will explain how this will happen at the worship services.
- **Registration will be necessary** in order to meet the safety protocols put in place by our church council with guidance from the Minnesota Department of Health. For Sunday, services, we ask that you email or call the church by Friday at Noon for the upcoming service. For Wednesday services, by Wednesday at Noon. If you don't get registered, we will be posting on Facebook and the website if there is additional space at the services.
- **Masks** are required by state mandate. We will have masks available if you forget yours at home.
- **Sign In** will be necessary when you arrive so that we would be able to contact you if by chance there was someone with COVID-19 at the service.
- **Seating** will be marked so that we all stay at least six feet apart.
- **Sanitizing** will be done before spaces are re-used. We have several hand sanitizing stations throughout the church.
- **Singing** will not take place at this time. We will have special music, instrumental music and some creative ways of humming and praising God.

Remember the recommendation is that if you have any symptoms, do not feel well, or have been exposed to someone with COVID-19, please stay home and attend worship on-line or on the public access channel.

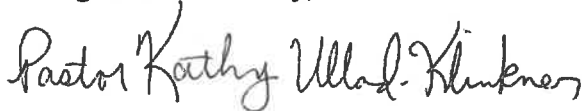
We are doing everything we can to be compliant with all regulations and ensure your safety. We have put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19, but we cannot guarantee that you or family members will not become infected with COVID-19. You can read our Preparedness Plan on the church website.

A video explaining and showing how worship will look will be posted on Facebook, Instagram, and the website the week of September 13th.

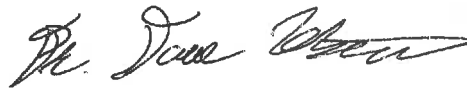
Change – As you know, things seem to change quickly during these unusual times. We will continue to update worship plans as time goes on to keep us safe. That may mean having to go to all on-line worship again, or it may mean that all we do indoors can be expanded.

Thank you for your ongoing support of the mission and ministry of Our Savior's. If you have any questions or concerns about worship, please do not hesitate to call the pastors.

Together in Ministry,



Pastor Kathleen Ulland-Klinkner



Pastor Dave Nissen