

In mid-September, we reopened our building for indoor meetings to begin gathering again, with restrictions, including physical distanced seating and a requirement for masks.

See all the restrictions below.

But now we are preparing to re-enter the building for worship! That's right-- we plan to host our first indoor worship service on Sunday, October 18 at 10:30am.

In order to safely re-enter the building for worship, we have multiple regulations that we must all take seriously in an effort to keep us safe and healthy. See below for a list of regulations and restrictions as we begin indoor worship soon. We hope you'll join us with a mask & a willingness to experiment together.

## **Indoor Worship & Sanctuary Seating Guidelines:**

- Do not attend any in-person meeting or gathering if you do not feel well or have any symptoms of COVID-19.
- Capacity for the sanctuary is set currently at 36 participants for safety reasons. This number is
  difficult to define and is somewhat flexible as families are welcome to sit together, but folks who
  are not related to each other must sit 6-feet apart.
- Like the rest of the building, masks are required in the sanctuary until further notice. Hand sanitizer will be made available for you before and after the service.
- Ushers will greet you at the door before you enter the church building. Ushers will hand you a
  bulletin and assist you in finding the best place to sit that is distanced from those you are not
  related to.
- If we reach capacity in the sanctuary, we will then seat folks distanced in the narthex. If the narthex reaches capacity, then we will use seating in the fellowship hall where folks can watch the service on the TV and hear it through the radio that we will provide. Folks are welcome to continue worshipping in their cars (tune your radio to 88.5 to worship along with us), or online.
- Every other pew is marked as not-occupiable, beginning with the first row of each aisle. Please abide by these restrictions when you enter the sanctuary by sitting only in rows that are not marked off by tape or ribbon.
- Non-family members in the same pew need to sit physically distanced from the other. The CDC recommends 6 ft. Two or three individuals could sit distanced in the same pew. Again,

an usher will assist you.

- Ushers will also dismiss families and individuals at the end of the service. Please do not get up
  to leave without an usher dismissing you. This helps us keep everyone moving safely and
  reminds us all that we cannot gather indoors for fellowship after service. Please feel free to
  chat with one another at a safe distance outdoors after the service.
- Online worship will continue to be made available every week. Our website, ivycentennial.org has all worship links in the "Sermon Videos" tab.
- We will also continue to worship through the radio. So if you'd like to join us, while staying in the safety of your car, you can join us on Sunday mornings by parking in our parking lot by 10:30am and tuning your radio to 88.5 FM.

## **Indoor Meeting Guidelines at lvy:**

- Do not attend any in-person meeting or gathering if you do not feel well or have any symptoms of COVID-19.
- Masks are required at all gatherings at Ivy until further notice. Masks are located in the church narthex if you are in need of one anytime you're at the church.
- Check the church calendar before scheduling a meeting to ensure availability. Our church calendar can be found on our website: ivycentennial.org.
- To post your meeting on our church calendar, please email Jeff Freel or Pastor Dani.
  - jrajfreel@prairieinet.net
  - pastordanim@gmail.com
- Please provide an opportunity for meeting attendees to access your scheduled meeting via Zoom or another online meeting format even when meeting in-person at the church. Ask Pastor Dani if you need help setting up a Zoom meeting ahead of time.
- Write down names and contact information of each person who attends your in-person meeting
  or gathering, in case someone from the meeting is later diagnosed with COVID 19 and all who
  attended need to be notified.
- Please do not share food or drinks in the church building. If you'd like to have food at your meeting, please encourage everyone to bring their own.
- Physical distancing is required at all gatherings and meetings.
- Please wipe down all objects (chairs, tables, etc.) after the conclusion of your meeting. Each meeting space has its own container of cleaning wipes for your use.
- Capacity limits have been identified for each room and meeting space at the church. The capacity limits are posted on the door of each room. Please abide by these capacity limits.
  - Fellowship Hall: 30 (no more than 3 chairs to a table)
  - Sanctuary: 36
  - Upstairs kitchen: 4
  - Library: 4
  - Downstairs kitchen: 4
  - Nursery: 10
  - Sunday School Room 1: 4
  - Sunday School Room 2: 12
  - Youth Room: 15
  - Narthex: 0. The narthex cannot be used for gathering until further notice.
    - Please only use the narthex as you are on your way to and from the sanctuary.

Thank you for your help & understanding in following these guidelines!