Guidelines

Reopening Franconia Celebrate Recovery

Because of the coronavirus pandemic, we have not met in person with the Franconia CR Forever Family since Monday, March 9. We have been meeting for an abbreviated worship time on Monday evenings by Zoom, and our small groups have also been meeting by Zoom. There is a lot of interest in getting back together in person even though not everything will be back to "normal."

Here are the guidelines that will be in place when we reopen on Monday, July 20. This will be reevaluated every couple weeks.

<u>General</u>

- Anyone who is symptomatic or does not feel comfortable meeting in person should stay at home.
- Those who come need to understand that they are coming at their own risk. The church's insurance does not cover the spread of a virus.
- Restrooms and common surfaces will be sanitized in advance by the custodial staff of the church, and the custodial staff will also be responsible to sanitize everything afterward.
- The building will be well cooled in advance, and the HVAC system will come on as needed.
- Two people will have digital scanners to test each person's temperature upon arrival. If their temperature is 100 or more, they will be asked to leave. If someone is being dropped off, the driver needs to stay in the parking lot until that person has been cleared for entrance.
- Hand sanitizer will be available, and everyone will be encouraged to use it.
- We will not have coffee, snacks, or child care.
- Bulletins will be available for everyone, but will not be passed out by the greeters.
- There is to be no hand-shaking, hugging, or high fives.
- Everyone will be required to wear a face covering throughout the evening (with a few exceptions). This is a matter of courtesy and respect for others. We realize that physical distancing cannot be maintained completely in the restrooms and hallways.
- If someone has a serious medical condition that prohibits them from being able to wear a mask, they need to speak with Pastor Larry in advance.
- Socializing indoors at a distance of six feet is fine, but people will be encouraged to visit outdoors when feasible.

Large-group meetings

- We will meet in the fellowship hall with the chairs appropriately spread out. Persons in the same family may sit together.
- People will be required to continue wearing their face coverings during the large-group sessions with the exception of speakers and singers who will be allowed to remove their masks while speaking or singing.
- Speakers and singers will be spaced at least six feet apart from each other, and will be twelve feet from the attendees.
- During the singing and recitations, soft and gentle participation is fine.
- We will do chips. The mics will be sanitized between uses. The person passing out the chips will use hand sanitizer before touching the chips, and they will be placed on a table for pick-up.
- A few pens will be available when we have a teaching. People will be asked to pick up their own pens rather than having them passed out.

Small-group meetings

- Social (physical) distancing guidelines will be followed.
- Small groups may meet in their regular rooms if the groups are small enough that there is adequate space for social distancing (at least six feet apart from each other). The rooms can accommodate up to ten people.
- Face coverings are required except for the person in the group who is speaking.
- If there is not adequate space for appropriate social distancing, groups may go downstairs or outside if they prefer.
- The HVAC system will be turned on downstairs as needed.

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