



Protocols for In-Person Worship (Morning Service) CORNERSTONE CRC OF CHILLIWACK BC

We are excited to welcome you back to in-person worship at the church.

Worship Services will be different, at least for now. Here are a few things to note about in-person worship.

NEW!

2 Morning Worship Space Options:

Starting on September 13, 2020 there will be two 10am morning service options. "Worship in the Sanctuary" & "Worship in the Fellowship Hall". As these areas will be kept separate with separate entrances/exits and washroom facilities, we can accommodate up to 50 people in each space. Please be aware that those in the Fellowship Hall will be watching the service via our camera feed from the Sanctuary.

Sign Up: All attendees **must pre-register**. Please note a few things regarding sign-up:

- Sign-up invite for each Sunday will be emailed out (and posted to our Facebook group) weekly (on Tuesday).
- Deadline to sign up is Friday at noon.
- You can sign up using our online sign-up program or by contacting the church office.
- Sign up is limited to up to 6 spots per household.
- When you sign-up you can choose "Worship in the Sanctuary" or "Worship in the Fellowship Hall" (spots are limited in each location).
- As per provincial guidelines, we are expected to keep an accurate record of attendees for 30 days in the event that "contact tracing" is required.
- Please do not come to attend a service that you haven't signed up to attend.

Please read the information below prior to the Sunday that you're attending.

Before Leaving Home:

1. Take the BC COVID19 Self-Assessment prior to coming to church. Here's the link. <https://bc.thrive.health/covid19/en>
2. Use the washroom before you leave home. The washrooms at church are for emergencies only.

Arriving at Church, Sign In & Seating:

1. **Arrive at Cornerstone CRC by 9:40am.**
2. Remain in your vehicle until 9:40am. Church doors will be locked until that time.
3. When it is time to enter the church please keep physical distancing of 6ft (2m) between households.
4. The church doors will be opened for worshippers to enter under the instruction of our greeter.
5. You will be signed in by our greeter and hand sanitizer will be provided.
6. Once you are signed in...
 - a. "Worship in the Sanctuary": enter the main church doors and follow the directional signage to the Sanctuary, abiding by the physical distancing markers on the floor, and an usher will bring you to your seat.
 - b. "Worship in the Fellowship Hall": you will be directed to enter through the exterior doors of the Fellowship Hall, where you will be greeted by an usher and shown to your table/seat.
7. Please be aware that at this time seating is assigned and you will not be able to choose your seat.

During the Worship Service:

1. A few sections of our worship service have been modified, such as:
 - a. Time of Greeting: Our greeting time during the service is an "electronic Passing of the Peace." There will be no physical greetings, ie. shaking of hands, hugs, etc.
 - b. Time of Giving: The collection bags will not be passed around. A basket for your giving will be available on your way out of the Sanctuary/Fellowship Hall at the end of the service, if needed.
 - c. Communion will be served each Sunday.
2. Bibles & Hymnals have been removed from the pews. Please feel free to bring your own bible.

After the Service is Finished:

1. After the closing song please sit down in your pew/seat and wait for an usher to release you.
2. Follow directional signage to the exit.
3. Please exit the building promptly after the service.
4. Please abide by physical distancing rules when out in the church parking lot. (ie. No gathering, etc)

FAQ:

Is there a limit to how many times I/we can attend a service?

There is no longer a limit to the number of times you can attend a service. **However, please be courteous to your fellow Cornerstone family members.** If you've had a chance to attend, please wait till later in the week before signing up again, to allow everyone the opportunity to attend if they want.

Can I/we sing?

Yes, but you are required to wear a mask if you choose to sing.

Do I/we have to wear a mask?

You are not required to wear a mask in the building. **Masks are required for singing.** You are encouraged to bring your own mask. However, if you don't have a mask, we will provide you with one. If you are not comfortable wearing a mask, please do not sing.

What about the kids?

Kids are more than welcome to attend. However, nursery care and Children's Ministries will not be provided at this time.

When will we be celebrating Communion?

Communion will be celebrated each Sunday. Those "Worshipping in the Sanctuary" will pick up the elements at the Info Booth as they make their way to the Sanctuary. Those "Worshipping in the Fellowship Hall" will have the elements either at their tables, or they can be picked up at the back kitchen counter. Please note that the bread and juice will be in individual disposable containers with lids.

Are we allowed to fellowship before and after the service? Will coffee be served?

Unfortunately there will not be a time for fellowship before or after the service. However, the Fellowship Hall option is meant to be a more casual watching environment, while the Sanctuary is a bit more formal. In the Fellowship Hall attendees will sit around tables or groupings of chairs. Coffee will not be served. However, in the Fellowship Hall, feel free to bring your own. Those in the Sanctuary will sit in the pews. Please do not bring food or beverages into the Sanctuary.

Are the washrooms available?

Please use the washroom before you leave home. However, washrooms will be available if absolutely needed. Those attending the service in the Sanctuary will use the single accessible washroom in the north east hallway (next to the nursery). Those in the Fellowship Hall will use the main washrooms (please ensure physical distancing), accessing from the back hallway area.

Can I/we check the mailboxes?

If you have chosen the Fellowship Hall option, yes you can check your mailbox. Those in the Sanctuary will not be able to enter the mailbox area. Feel free to stop in during the week (during office hours) to check your mail, or contact the office and your mail can be mailed to you.

Are the services still going to be live streamed?

Yes! We will continue to live stream our worship services.

If I'm/we're in the sanctuary, will I/we be on camera?

Our worship services are live streamed and broadcast publicly on YouTube. We want to protect the privacy of all those who join us for in-person worship. Please be aware:

- Cameras are located at the back of the sanctuary facing the platform.
- We do not have cameras facing the congregation. However, there may be a chance that you will be on camera (if you turn around to face the back of the church or if you are seated near the front of the sanctuary).
- If you are not comfortable with the potential of being on camera, please let the usher know prior to them seating you and they will seat you in a "no camera" area at the back of the sanctuary.