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Greetings church family in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ! Hopefully you have heard by now, but we will be opening the church back up on Sunday, June 14. As you will see, life isn't exactly returning to normal, but just the fact that the body of Christ can come back together again will be a wonderful and much-needed blessing!

We are taking numerous precautions in order to provide a safe environment for you and your family. However, we also do not want to make coming back so difficult that it will discourage anyone from returning. We want to stress that it will ultimately be your choice as to when you are ready to return. If you are not comfortable coming under the current conditions, we encourage you to do what you feel is best as we will continue to live-stream our services. Please know we want you to come back only when you are ready!

The following are the safety guidelines that have been put in place (as per CDC recommendations):

Social Distancing in the sanctuary:

- The rows of chairs will be spaced apart in order to maintain a 6 foot distance. We have also made the fellowship hall available by sliding the wall back and setting up more rows and chairs.
- Individuals and families can sit wherever they want. HOWEVER, we are requiring there be at least a **3 chair-length distance** between you and other individuals/families in order to maintain the social distancing guideline.
- Families can sit together.

Social Interaction:

- No hugging or shaking hands. We know this will be difficult for some but we feel this is a necessary request. Waving or elbow 'bumping' are acceptable options.
- While we do not want to stop anyone from fellowshiping, we are asking that large groups of people refrain from gathering together be it in the lobby or church sanctuary. Again, this will help us maintain safe social distancing guidelines.
- As always, if you have been sick or have any symptoms of being sick please stay home and take care of yourself. If you have to cough or sneeze use either a handkerchief or your arm.
- Please respect your fellow brothers and sisters as everyone may not have the same comfort level as you when it comes to Social Interaction.

Masks:

- We are asking everyone to wear a mask upon ENTERING and LEAVING the building.
- Masks during the worship service are optional. We are leaving it up to each individual/family as to whether they want to wear their mask during the service.
- Please bring your own mask.

Hand Sanitizers:

- There will be a total of 6 hand sanitizer stations throughout the church (2 at the Restrooms, 2 in the lobby, 2 at the altar).

Restroom Protocol:

- As stated, 2 hand sanitizers will be placed just outside the restrooms. We are requiring everyone use hand sanitizer BEFORE they enter the restroom. We are then requiring everyone to wash their hands thoroughly BEFORE leaving the restroom.

Tithes and Offerings:

- Tithes and offerings can be placed in the black box on the wall the lobby. It is located near the doors leading to the bathrooms. Envelopes will be placed on a table near the black box for your use as well.

Thermometers:

- We will have personnel at the door to take everyone's temperature upon entering the building.
- We will not be able to permit anyone with a temperature above 100.4 to enter the building. We appreciate your understanding in this matter!

Communion:

- Communion packets will be individually wrapped and placed in a convenient location so each person can pick one up when needed.

Age and Health concerns:

- We are advising anyone with underlying health concerns or those over the age of 65 to remain home and join us through the live-stream options of the Church Facebook or YouTube. Please note, we are NOT mandating that anyone in these categories stay home, merely advising.

Bulletins:

- Bulletins will not be offered at this time. Any pertinent announcements will be given through the church-wide email system.
- When necessary we will also use the Church Facebook, Website and *One Call* Phone system.
- If you are not signed up to receive the church-wide emails or the *One Call* Phone System please contact the church's Administrative Assistant Christine Smalley and she will be happy to add you to those systems (secretary@cscocog.org).

Children/Sunday School:

- Sunday School will continue to be suspended at this time.
- Until it is deemed safe, there will be NO nursery, children or youth activities on Sunday or Wednesday evenings.
- For those parents who want to bring their children to the main worship service, Pastor Shannon will have packets prepared containing various activities or coloring pages with crayons for the kids to use. We are also asking that all parents bring various "quiet" toys and or activities they think would be good for their children during the service.

Wednesday Activities:

- Because we are not yet able to have children and youth activities, we are going to hold off on the adult activities as well. I have been in contact with other churches and all have continued to suspend children and youth activities. They have also suspended all adult midweek meetings.
- We will keep you posted as we monitor things on a month-to-month basis. For now all activities will continue through our Zoom platform. Zoom links will be emailed out on a weekly basis. If you do not receive emails please contact Christine Smalley as mentioned above.

I want to personally thank you for your patience and endurance during this time! We also want to greatly thank you for your continued support through your prayers and your tithes and offerings! Our church has continued to function and minister because of your faithfulness and the faithfulness of our God! As we look forward to June 14, I want to leave you with the words of the apostle Paul when writing to the Thessalonians:

"Dear brothers and sisters, after we were separated from you for a little while (though our hearts never left you), we tried very hard to come back because of our intense longing to see you again...Night and day we pray earnestly for you, asking God to let us see you again...May God our Father and our Lord Jesus bring us to you very soon. And may the Lord make your love for one another and for all people grow and overflow, just as our love for you overflows...Amen."

Welcome back family! We can't wait to see you!
In His Service, Pastor Brock