

Midwest Bible Church

Reopening Guidelines

June 7th 2020

OVERVIEW

Based on the recent developments and revised Illinois guidelines for faith-based organizations (please read **Elder Update** from May 30th, 2020), members and regular attendees may attend the Live-Streamed worship services at the Church building beginning June 7th, 2020. Additional updates and guidelines may be issued in the weeks to come.

GUIDELINES

Attendance

- Live streamed services will be available on Facebook and MBC website
- Any person feeling sick is strongly urged to stay home and livestream the service
- Maximum indoor capacity of 100 people
- Bulletins will not be handed out until further notice

Cleaning and Sanitation

- Facilities will be cleaned and surfaces sanitized before Sunday worship services
- Hand sanitizer will be available at entrances and throughout the building
- Doors will be left open for decreased contact
- Volunteers will intermittently clean high touch areas while the building is open

Masks

- Wearing masks is required, but may be removed once seated in the sanctuary
- Masks will also be available upon request at the Welcome Desk

Social Distancing

- Respecting social distancing guidelines as recommended by the CDC
- There will not be a Meet & Greet time during the worship service

Seating

- Seating will be arranged in “islands”
- Chairs arranged in groups of 4 or more will be reserved for families with children. Other chairs will be arranged in groups of 2's and 3's for individuals/couples
- Ushers to help assist seating for worship services

Singing

- Although singing is discouraged under current Illinois guidelines, we understand that those who wish to attend in-person will want to join corporate worship
- For the time being, however, we ask attendees to refrain from clapping for the integrity of the livestream audio.

Bathrooms

- Bathrooms will be cleaned and sterilized before every Sunday service
- Separate pathways for the women's and men's bathrooms in order to alleviate traffic in the small hallway. Women can enter/exit through the Fellowship Hall, and men can enter/exit through hallway
- With separate entrances, bathroom doors will be left open for non-contact entry/exit
- Water fountains will be blocked off, and therefore not available for use

Offering

- Offering will not be collected during the worship service
- A collection box will be available before or after the services

Communion

- If communion is observed, pre-packaged, combination bread and cup will be available
- Benevolent funds must be designated if placed in offering box

Children's Church & Nursery

- Children's Church and Nursery will not be offered until further notice

Sunday School & Breakfast

- Sunday School and Breakfast fellowship will not be offered until further notice