

## LCC Re-Opening Announcement

After hearing the announcement by our Premier, June 8, allowing ALL churches in Ontario to resume in-person worship services... We prayed and reviewed the health and safety recommendations put out by our Health Unit. We are so thankful to the Lord for the opportunity to worship together in person, as a church family, in the building and receive the Word.

It is our heart to honor the Lord, and to honor those in authority over us. We want to give due diligence to ensure our church family is cared for, and that we maintain a good testimony for the Lord in our community. Many people are fearful and we want them to see the love of God in action by the simple things we do.

Paul said in 1Cor 8:9, "But you must be careful so that your freedom does not cause others with a weaker conscience to stumble." **Our guiding principle is to love God, and then to love others.** So, out of love for our church family, and our community, we will make the following adjustments to our in-person Sunday Worship Services:

### SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES (for those willing and able to attend)

Starting Sunday June 14, we will meet corporately as a church family for Sunday worship services. We will continue to offer an online service, however, this Sunday the service will be available a little later than 10:30am. *Please be patient as we adjust to this new schedule.*

#### MORNING SERVICE 1 - 9:00-10:00AM

For Adults (singles & couples) with or without children over 13 attending with them.

#### MORNING SERVICE 2 - 10:30-11:45AM

For Families with children under 13 years old.

#### EVENING SERVICE - 6:30-7:30PM

For those requiring bi-lingual services in English/Spanish, those who normally attend the evening service, and those who could not attend the morning meeting due to work.

This will allow us to maintain 6ft physical distance, and 3 empty chairs between household units. We will stay 75 or under in the sanctuary at one time, well under our maximum. If you have questions, please contact us.

**PLEASE READ** these procedures for attending services. Thank you for your cooperation:

1. If you are not well, or have a fever, please stay at home and minimize risk for others.  
*Let us know if you are sick so we can pray for you.*

2. Please do not arrive more than 15min early for your designated service, as we will disinfect between services. Ushers will help you park. Please wait in your vehicle, ushers will direct you into the building. We ask each family unit to only bring ONE vehicle on Sunday.
3. We know it will be difficult, but please refrain from handshakes, hugs, and fellowshipping in the lobby/parking lot.
4. No nursery or children's classes will be available at any of the services. CHILDREN ARE TO REMAIN WITH THEIR PARENTS IN THE SANCTUARY.
5. We will sit together as families and practice social distancing guidelines, allowing 3 empty seats between households.
6. You are welcome to wear your own mask if you wish. We will respect one another, and no one will be judged for wearing, or not wearing, a mask.
7. Please wash/sanitize your hands as you enter the building. We have 2 sanitizing stations available in the lobby.
8. We encourage you to use washroom facilities at home before coming for service. Washrooms will be available if needed. Limit of people to 2 in the washroom at the same time. We will have volunteers sanitize the facilities frequently during each service. **Children must be accompanied to the washroom by a parent.**
9. We encourage you to continue to give online, however we will have a procedure available for those who want to bring a cash/cheque offering with them.

Thank you for your understanding and support. Remaining flexible is very important as we begin to experience restrictions being removed and adjust accordingly.

**We love you!**

Pastor Dan & Pastor Kate

On Monday, June 8, 1:15pm, Premier Doug Ford made the following announcement: Effective Friday, June 12, 2020 at 12:01 a.m., the province will increase the limit on social gatherings from five to 10 people across the province, regardless of whether a region has moved to Stage 2. Additionally, all places of worship in Ontario will also be permitted to open with physical distancing in place and attendance limited to no more than 30 per cent of the building capacity to ensure the safety of worshippers.

For more information about Premier Doug Ford's announcement, read below:

<https://news.ontario.ca/opo/en/2020/06/ontario-permits-more-businesses-and-services-to-reopen-in-the-coming-days.html>



## WE'VE BEEN BUSY PREPARING TO WELCOME YOU BACK!

Here's a list of what we've been doing in the building:

- We thoroughly cleaned & sanitized each week while you have been gone.
- We did a thorough SANITIZE of every surface to prepare for Sunday worship, including:
  - Light switches
  - All door handles and push bars
  - Top to bottom clean of the washrooms facilities, including sanitizing the dividers
  - All floors swept and washed
  - All carpets vacuummed
  - All glass surfaces cleaned
  - All table tops sanitized
  - Offering envelopes & pens removed from back of chairs
  - Thoroughly cleaning of the YC and CC area - even though it will be off limits
- Chairs in the Sanctuary have been removed and spaced out to allow for 6ft between rows.
- Purchased additional touchless hand sanitizing station for the lobby, as well as re-stocked our soap and hand sanitizer supply
- Enlisted volunteers to wipe down washroom surfaces about every 15min for Sunday services.
- Enlisted volunteers to sanitize all frequently touched surfaces between services on Sunday
- Re-adjusted offering procedures so those who wish to give by cash or cheque can do so without an offering basket being passed
- Re-adjusted procedures entering the building to allow for social distancing
- Re-adjusted dismissal procedures at the end of service to allow for social distancing
- Added additional Kleenex and lined waste baskets - to encourage good respiratory etiquette
- Bulletin will be available online to minimize personal contact
- Sunday services will be available online (may be later than our regular time this week)