

## REOPENING GUIDELINES FOR OCTOBER – DECEMBER 2020

We are grateful to gather again in person for live worship services. The guidelines below have been approved by the elders, deacons and staff of First Baptist Church and follow [the MDH Guidelines of Religious Gatherings](#). Due to the ever-changing dynamic of the COVID-19 pandemic, the plans below are subject to change should the need arise. Please read through the guidelines carefully if you plan to attend in-person gatherings from October through December 2020. Our services will begin at 10:30am on Sunday mornings. A livestream of our services will continue to be available on our Facebook page in addition to in-person gatherings.

### Live Worship Service Guidelines

- Facemasks must always be worn inside. Children under 2 years of age and those with medical conditions that prohibit the use of facemasks are exempted from this rule.
- Preregistration is required to attend the live worship services. A sign-up form will be made available each Monday for the coming Sunday on our website [www.fbcminneapolis.org](http://www.fbcminneapolis.org).
- All guests must respect social distancing guidelines which includes 6 feet between family units.
- All guests are encouraged to take their temperature before coming to the Sunday services. Temperatures will be taken upon arrival to the church building. If temperatures exceed 100.3, or if an individual refuses to have their temperature taken, they will not be allowed to attend the in-person gathering.
- No gathering other than in-person worship will be permitted in the building on Sunday mornings, such as community groups or children's ministry.
- No pre/post service socializing will be permitted inside the building. Fellowship must take place outside the building.
- Please plan to arrive 15-20 minutes prior to beginning of the service as entering the sanctuary may take longer than usual due to social distancing guidelines.
- There will be no congregational singing as singing has shown to be a high-risk activity for groups in an enclosed space.
- No coffee or food will be served
- No childcare will be provided during the church service. The Fellowship Hall will be available to parents with children as an overflow room, where the livestream can be viewed. No toys will be provided, but families are welcome to bring their own toys/activities. Families are encouraged to maintain social distancing while attending to their children in the overflow room.