

Graefenburg United Methodist Church

Re-Opening Guidelines

Target Date: May 24, 2020

Developed jointly by Lay Leader, Trustee Chairperson, and Pastor, in consultation with members of the congregation.

Phase One: May 24, 2020

1. Enter and exit only by front door of sanctuary.
2. Sanctuary door will be propped open prior to and after service so doorknob will not have to be touched.
3. Everyone will be asked to wear a mask during the service and avoid contact with others. Thus, NO hugs or handshakes!
4. Parishioners will be asked to sit in family groups at least six feet apart and in alternating rows and pattern. Children should stay seated with family.
5. Side doors will be propped open for access to a single bathroom. (Only one person at a time in hallway.)
6. Bathroom user will be asked to use sanitary wipes to wipe down toilet handle, sink handles, and inner doorknob, and then leave door open for next person.
7. Hand sanitizer will be available at all entry / exit points.
8. All books and cards have been removed from sanctuary. All hymn lyrics, liturgy, prayer list, and announcements will be posted on front projection screen.
9. An offering plate will be placed at the entrance to the sanctuary for worshippers to place their offering in the plate either before or after worship service.
10. Those collecting and counting the money will wear gloves.
11. All non-essential areas of the church building will be closed off with appropriate signage.
12. There will be no Sunday School class during Phase One to limit contact time.
13. In-house Bible Study will also resume on Wednesdays in the Fellowship Hall.
14. Bible Study attendees should enter and exit through the side entrance. Do not enter the sanctuary.
15. The tables and chairs have been arranged to ensure all attendees are maintaining social distancing guidelines.
16. Rules 3, 5, and 6 also apply during Bible Study.
17. Sanctuary, Bathroom, and Fellowship Hall will be cleaned with disinfectant after each use (Sunday, Wednesday).