

PLEASE KEEP THIS PAPER FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

**TO REFER TO WHEN YOU ARE PLANNING TO
ATTEND
IN-PERSON WORSHIP SERVICE AT HOPE**

This information has been put together so your reference, so that all those attending any service at Hope will be as safe as possible, with the cooperation of everyone in attendance.

This will be a work in progress, and we will adapt as we go.

Please call Carol at 780-717-9876, to let her know that you are planning to attend a service. This will allow us to set up the church to accommodate those that wish to attend, and have enough helpers.

Please call Carol from 9:30 a.m. on the Monday prior to the service, until 9:00 p.m. on the Thursday, prior to the service.

We apologize for the inconvenience this may cause.

General information:

Please stay up to date with developments related to Covid-19.

You must not attend the service if you have any of the most common Covid-19 symptoms (cough, fever, shortness of breath, runny nose or sore throat)

You must not attend the service if you have travelled internationally in the past 14 days.

Only the bathroom upstairs is available for use and will be sanitized after use. Should you need to use the facility, please follow the direction that will be provided by the ushers.

There will be no singing. As Covid-19 is transmitted through saliva and droplets, there will live music on the piano or organ for listening only.

WHAT WILL HAPPEN THE DAY OF THE SERVICE:

The morning of the worship service you plan to attend:

- If you can access the internet, please use the online Alberta Health Services Covid-19 Self-Assessment Tool before visiting the church. Please answer all the questions to the best of your knowledge.

As you arrive at Church:

- Please enter the Church through the front door only. There will be no entrance through the back/side door.
- We will be ready to welcome you 15 minutes before the service is scheduled to begin. The sidewalk will be marked at 2 metres for social/physical distancing.
- When you are greeted, you will be asked health related questions and to give your consent to providing your name and contact information as one of the people attending the service. By AHS guidelines, we need to have a list of those attending, in case there is a need to contact trace. The list of names will be kept securely at the church for only 2 weeks, and then the list will be destroyed. The list will not be used for any purpose, other than if needed by the AHS.

As you enter the church:

- Please wear a mask, or one will be provided for you. Even when wearing a mask, AHS guidelines say attendees should always try to maintain a 2 metre distance from anyone who is not a member of the household they live in.
- You will be asked to sanitize your hands.
- There will be markings on the floor of the narthex indicating the direction and spacing of individuals or households to ensure physical distancing. Unfortunately, no visiting in the narthex.

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As you proceed to the sanctuary, to enter for the service:

- You will be met by an usher and taken to your seat.
- To maintain physical distancing people, will be seated from the front to the back as they arrive. (You may not be able to sit in your “usual” spot) Once seated, you are asked to remain in that place. Do not move around to greet people.
- There will be a designated place to put your offerings at the back of the sanctuary as you enter or leave the sanctuary.

After the service:

- Ushers will direct your departure from the back of the sanctuary, not from the front as would be customary prior to Covid-19.
- Please use hand sanitizer as you exit the sanctuary.
- There will be no stopping in the narthex.
- Please visit with one another on the sidewalk or in the parking lot if you wish, using physical/social distancing.