

# GUIDELINES FOR INDOOR WORSHIP

Beginning November 1st

## Our Shared Goal

The goal of these guidelines is to ensure the safety of every person who attends indoor worship.

## Before You Read Further

To accomplish our goal of safety, please follow all of these guidelines if you choose to attend.

## Making the Decision to Attend Indoor Worship

If you or any member of your family has symptoms of or has been diagnosed with Covid-19 or has been in contact with anyone who has symptoms of or has been diagnosed with Covid-19 in the last 14 days, please stay home. Sermons are always available online at [shadygroveumc.com](http://shadygroveumc.com).

## Our Sunday Worship Schedule

We will have three indoor services - contemporary worship at 8:30am and 9:45am in the Worship Center simulcast to The Grove and the Sanctuary. Traditional worship will be at 11am in the Sanctuary only.

The Worship Center will seat 80 people, The Grove 26, and the Sanctuary 72. Once these spaces are full, no one else will be allowed to enter.

## A Note about Masks

Masks are required at all times inside the building for everyone school-age and older.

## Entering and Exiting the Church

- Maintain six feet of space between groups from separate households everywhere on the church grounds.
- Only the lobby and sanctuary doors will be open. To allow for cleaning, the doors will be locked until 15 minutes before service begins.
- As you enter the doors, you will pass a thermometer kiosk that will take your temperature instantly. If any member of your group has a temperature 100.4 or above, we ask that your group not attend worship.
- After passing the temperature check, you can enter either the Worship Center or The Grove. Entrance to the Sanctuary will be through the Sanctuary doors only.
- Once we reach capacity, no one else will be allowed to enter.
- After the services, please keep moving as you exit the building.

## Safety Precautions Inside the Building

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Please allow no more than 2 persons at a time in the restroom.

No coffee or snacks will be served.

For your protection, we have installed touchless faucets and touchless paper towel dispensers in all of the restrooms.

Hand sanitizer dispensers are available inside all entry doors and at the restrooms.

If you have questions, contact the church office at 336-769-2942 or [sgumc@shadygroveumc.com](mailto:sgumc@shadygroveumc.com).

### *What If We Have an Outbreak?*

If a single, isolated incident of Covid-19 infection occurs, current plans for indoor worship will continue.

If a cluster of Covid-19 infection occurs, indoor worship will be suspended for two weeks. Online messages will continue to be available weekly.

### *How Long Will These Guidelines Be in Place?*

These guidelines are based on North Carolina being in Phase 3 along with conference, CDC, and NCDHHS recommendations. Once NC moves to Phase 4, we anticipate the conference will issue updated guidelines. Once that happens, our Leadership Team will determine what changes we can make in our safety guidelines. While we can't anticipate when, we do anticipate these safety measures being relaxed in the future.

**Pursue God** faithfully

**Build Community** prayerfully

**Release Compassion** safely

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