

# Christ UMC

## Re-Entry Plan

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### Health Team & Leadership Team

#### Introduction

Through the month of June, we have received 44 responses to the “Re-Opening CUMC Survey.” The summary shows that 77.3% of participants identified themselves (or someone in their households) in the “high-risk” categories for COVID-19.

42.1 % answered that they would feel comfortable returning to in-person worship in July and 28.9% said they would be comfortable to return in August. Yet, 51.2% are somewhat cautious and 24.4% are very uncomfortable.

On Friday, June 26, IL State moved to Phase 4 which allows the indoor gathering occupancy to be increased to a maximum number of 50 people. However, in consideration of our elderly population who are most vulnerable, CUMC Health Team & Leadership Team has decided to resume Drive-in Service as the first step of re-entry and offering Live Streaming for those who prefer to worship at home.

This is a living document that is abided by the Northern IL Conference Return Team Plan and the IL Restore Plan. As conditions change, our plan can be reversed and modified to meet each phase’s requirements. Our basic standard is “Do No Harm” by creating a safe environment for all and continuing to provide opportunities to worship, be connected, and serve our community.

## **Step 1: Drive-in Service & Live Streaming (beginning on July 19)**

The pastor and Worship Team will lead the service in the sanctuary. The service will be live-streamed, and you can continue to worship virtually at your home via our church website or YouTube. You can also worship in the church outdoor space.

1. The parking space will be marked in 6 ft distance.  
Please follow the guidance of the safety monitor & usher as you enter and leave the church campus.
2. You can stay inside your vehicle and worship or you can sit in the grass area with your own lawn chairs.
3. You have to use your smartphone or tablet to watch live worship. When you connect to the church wifi, please select "CUMC\_5GEXT" or "CUMC\_EXT" for the stronger connection.  
*\* If you leave your car and worship in the lawn or greet others, you must wear a mask and stay 6 ft distance from other people (no handshaking or hugging).*
4. There will be an offering box on the portico. Please drop your offering/prayer request as you leave. On Communion Sunday, you will also pick up individually packed and blessed elements at the portico as you leave.
5. There will be no Drive-in gathering under inclement weather.  
(rain or thunderstorm)
6. The restrooms will be available but limited to two people at a time in each restroom. Upon entering the building, you need to sign in and temperatures will be taken.
7. Enter your attendance at the church website.

## **Step 1: Small Group Outdoor Gatherings**

Any small group of the church (and outside groups such as GA, AA, & 4-H) can meet in the outdoor space of the church campus with fewer than 10 people.

- Bring your own lawn chairs.
- Keep social distancing of at least 6ft.
- Wear masks.
- Bring your own water bottles. The kitchen will be closed during this time.
- The restrooms will be available but limited to two people at a time in each restroom.
- Each group leader must keep attendance including whoever enters the building.
- Report to the pastor directly any COVID-19 related concerns.