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April 1, 2021

Dear Second Baptist Church Family and Friends,

We are excited to announce that our Church will resume in-person worship on **Sunday, April 18, 2021**. We are looking forward to seeing everyone! The Second Baptist Church reopening committee has toiled extremely hard to work out the details. We are grateful for their time and diligence. The committee was mindful of all the up-to-date necessary precautions and believes we have followed them in order to open in a safe manner.

Due to the coronavirus pandemic, our service has been streamlined. Vital aspects of our previous order of service have been implemented to allow for adherence to the Allegheny County guidelines on limitations to indoor public gatherings.

***To reopen, we must ask that you adhere to the following guidelines:***

1. If you are experiencing any signs or symptoms such as **fever, fatigue, chills, difficulty breathing, continuous coughing** or **nausea**, please worship with us through the live-stream or teleconference.
2. When entering the Church, please adhere to six (6) feet social distancing. We ask that all members and visitors continue to practice social distancing while worshipping inside the Church.
3. Everyone must wear a face mask/covering upon entering the Church as well as throughout the service. The required way of wearing a mask is over the nose and the mouth. Children under the age of two (2) are not required to wear a mask.
4. Alternate pews will be marked to control seating. We respectfully ask that you not congregate before and after service but go directly to your seat and exit the same. If during the service, you must leave your row for any reason, we ask that you exit towards the windows. Everyone in your row is asked to exit toward the windows to allow you access to the outer aisle in your desired direction. We encourage you to avoid crossing over one another.
5. Families residing within the same household are welcomed to sit together without six (6) feet social distancing. Social distancing from other families or individuals should still be practiced.
6. Hand sanitizer stations are strategically placed around the building for your use. Please thoroughly wash your hands before exiting the restrooms.



7. The kitchen and water fountains will be out of service until further notice. No outside food or drink will be permitted in the building (medical conditions excluded).
8. Communion will be administered by our Deacons and Associate Ministers. Please follow their instructions.
9. We encourage you to use the online giving options as outlined on the website. Alternatively, offering/tithes collection boxes have been positioned at the front and back of the church close to the most common points of entry. We encourage you to deposit your offering/tithes upon entering the church.
10. Upon conclusion of the service and exiting the building, we ask that you continue to practice six (6) feet social distancing. Please congregate elongated fellowships and greetings with one another once outside.
11. Bulletins or fans will not be provided during services.
12. Announcements will be verbally communicated. As deemed appropriate, pertinent postings will be made to the Church website and Facebook page.

Finally, these guidelines have been developed with consideration for your health and safety. We are looking forward to seeing everyone back in service. However, we understand and encourage you to consider your personal health, and the health of others in your care, when deciding to return to in-person worship.

If you have questions or need further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact the Church office at 412-461-8235. We ask God's blessings as we continue to serve through these turbulent times. Continue to pray for our Church, families, and especially our Church leadership.

Yours in Christ,

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