

SMBC'S FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q1. What safety protocol will we follow to ensure those taking the temperature will be protected?

A1. Personal protective equipment will be provided to each volunteer and we will evaluate procedures and protocol frequently to ensure both volunteers and members' safety.

Q2. What should a worshipper do if they are diagnosed with COVID-19 after attending worship service?

A2. After receiving a positive diagnosis from a healthcare provider, please contact the church ASAP at 404.755.7161.

Q3. Can signs be posted that list the series of questions being asked of members before entering the sanctuary?

A3. Yes, printed questions will be available to assist those conducting the screening process of everyone entering the church.

Q4. Can other key questions be added, e.g., sense of taste and smell; Do you have a sore throat?

A4. Yes, key questions will be expanded with the suggested information.

Q5. Are there going to be masks for all members at the church?

A5. No, members and guests are expected to arrive at church with their mask (store bought or handmade).

Q6. Will everyone be required to wear a mask including children?

A6. Yes, everyone on duty and in church attendance will be required to wear a mask.

Q7. Will parents be encouraged to maintain their children as a health and safety precaution?

A7. Children under 16 should be under parental supervision at all times, including using the restroom.

Q8. Will gloves be available for worshippers?

A8. No, members and guests are responsible for their individual protective wear.

Q9. How will we handle families within the spacing limitation?

A9. A family exceeding four {4} members with a maximum of seven {7} residing in the same household may be allowed on the same pew.

Q10. How should ushers respond when someone feels the “Spirit” and moves around the church?

A10. Ushers will provide assistance as needed wearing appropriate personal protective equipment.

Q11. Where will Youth Sunday School be held since we are currently downstairs?

A11. Teachers will use telephone conferencing to communicate with students until further notice.

Q12. What will be the protocol for entering the church?

A12. Ushers will seat all members and guests from front to back after their temperature has been checked and they’ve responded to health related questions.

Q13. How will communion be served to those who cannot attend?

A13. Members are encouraged to contact the church office in advance for communion pickup at the church.

Q14. How will offering be taken?

A14. From the end of each pew, collection baskets attached to a 3 feet handle will be used to collect offering.

Q15. What do we do about Baptism?

A15. Baptism is cancelled until further notice.

Q16. Where will the Dance Ministry practice?

A16. Dance Ministry practice is on hold until further written notice.

Q17. Will Church Office return to normal day and time of operation?

A17. You may call the church on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday from 10:00am - 4:00pm.

Q18. How do we handle shared materials in the Sanctuary, e.g., microphones, Bibles, hymnals, and handheld fans?

A18. Church offering envelopes will be the only material left in pews. Audio Ministry members will be responsible for microphones maintenance.

Q19. Where do you purchase mask?

A19. Amazon

Q20. Will we have programs or use the screen?

A20. The church screen will be used for members and a backup program for the Moderator, Pastor, Musician, Audio Visual Ministry, and Chief Usher.

Q21. If it is raining, how will we prevent members from gathering in the vestibule?

A21. Members and guests will follow the Social Distancing Guidelines, no exceptions.

Q22. How will we control the crowd in the vestibule waiting for a temperature check?

A22. Temperature checking will be done prior to entering the church.

Q23. Can members be given the checklist before entering the vestibule?

A23. Checklist will be viewed outside before entering the vestibule.

Q24. Will the choir stand be utilized?

A24. The choir loft is off limits until further notice.