

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for your continued support, prayers, and patience during this unprecedented time.

Little did we realize how long this process would take when we ceased our regular church services and ministry activities. As you can imagine, the task of opening our church for services once again will take a lot more thought than just closing things down for a while.

Enclosed, you will find the plan we will implement here at Good Shepherd Baptist Church. We understand that several things will be different than before, but we trust and pray any changes will be temporary.

Our desire from the very beginning has been the health and safety of our members and attendees. This desire will continue to be the case as we move forward.

Of course, opinions are numerous on the best approach for this, and while a certain set of procedures work in some churches, there is no guarantee it will work for us. We appreciate your prayers for all of us in leadership that we will be led by faith and not fear as we go through the process of opening our doors.

As we begin to implement this plan here at Good Shepherd Baptist Church, we would prayerfully make one main request. We want to encourage each member to be filled with grace toward others. For some, coming back to church at this time is not an option, but for others it may be a lifeline.

While we may have some challenges ahead, we are up to the task, because as believers, we must always show the love of Christ who dwells within us.

Romans 12:10 (NKJV) Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another;

We want this time to be a tremendous witness to the world of how things can be accomplished while seasoned with the grace God gives to the believers.

Please take time to read our enclosed guidelines.

Our first soft opening will be held on Sunday, October 18, 2020 at 10:00 a.m., and every 3rd Sunday until the end of the year. The worship service will be held for one hour and live streamed as normal. The order of service will be exactly as seen during our current live streamed service. Please be advised, that in order to seat you properly in preparation for the service, seating times are from 9:00 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. No one will be allowed in the building after 9:45 a.m. We thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Good Shepherd Baptist Church Reopening Guidelines:

- All members are asked to R.S.V.P. to reserve their seats by calling the church office at 216-481-5444 (Name, no. of people attending, phone no.)
(All Reservations must be received by 4 p.m. the Wednesday before each 3rd Sunday)
***Note: Our COVID-19 Screening Questionnaire must be completed at the time of your reservation (See Enclosed Questionnaire)**
- Building capacity is limited to a maximum of 100 people
(Including Ushers, Deacons, Nurses, Audio, etc.)
- Face masks are mandatory upon entering the building and must be worn during the entire service
- Temperature checks will be taken as you enter the building
(If your temperature is 100 degrees or above you may NOT enter the building)
- Ushers will direct people with reserved seating to their seat -
Each seat or group of seats will be spaced 6 feet apart
***(Family members living in the same household are allowed to sit together)**
- Congregating and/or lounging in restrooms is not allowed
(ONLY 2 PEOPLE AT A TIME ARE ALLOWED IN ALL RESTROOMS)
- Coffee stations & water fountains are not available at this time
- Avoid shaking hands, hugging, or gathering in the foyer, hallways, or Classrooms
- **We encourage those with underlying health conditions or who are feeling sick to stay home.**
*If you arrive **without** a confirmed reservation you will be directed to the overflow area in the fellowship hall to view the service via T.V. ***All guidelines noted above are also required in the fellowship hall**

Good Shepherd Baptist Church SELF-MONITORING QUESTIONNAIRE

This self-monitoring questionnaire is provided to help Good Shepherd Baptist Church assess members and visitors with COVID-19 symptoms and risk factors as outlined by the Center for Disease Control.

Based on your answers, this will provide you with additional guidance about attending church services or other ministry activities. Regardless of the survey results, if you feel that you have symptoms of COVID-19, please contact a healthcare professional and stay home.

This self-monitoring health assessment is **NOT** a substitute for professional medical advice, diagnosis, or treatment of disease or other conditions, including COVID-19.

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1. **Have you had a fever (100.0F / 37C or higher) in the past 24 hours?**

Yes No

2. **Do you have 3 or more of the following symptoms?**

Yes No

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| • Chills | <input type="checkbox"/> Diarrhea |
| • Sore throat | <input type="checkbox"/> Shortness of breath or difficulty |
| • Muscle or body aches breathing | |
| • Fatigue | <input type="checkbox"/> New loss of taste or smell |
| • Nausea or vomiting | <input type="checkbox"/> Headache |
| • Cough | <input type="checkbox"/> Congestion or runny nose |

Have you been in close contact (more than 15 minutes) in the past 14 days with someone with a confirmed diagnosis of COVID-19 or have traveled from a state on the CDC's most current travel advisory list?

Yes No

Based on your self-monitoring health assessment, you confirm that the above information is accurate to the best of your knowledge.

If you responded **YES** to **three or more** of the above questions, contact your healthcare provider. Do not come to church or engage in other activities until you have been cleared by your healthcare provider.

If you responded **NO** to **all** of the above questions, contact the church office to make your reservation by calling 216-481-5444. All reservations must be received by 4 p.m. the Wednesday before each 3rd Sunday.

It is our prayer to continue to do the work of the Lord, bring encouragement to each of you, and win souls into the Kingdom of God! Please continue to pray for our church, our leaders, and that God would heal our Land.

