



Charlestown Road

CHURCH OF CHRIST

While we are all anxious to gather in person again, we are seeking to balance our eagerness with careful consideration for the safety of our church family and respect for the social distancing principles provided by the CDC, along with the [recommendations of our state officials](#). Our shepherds, deacons, and evangelists have spent hours wrestling through how to apply these principles in such a way that everyone who chooses to attend our assemblies will feel safe.

In accordance with [Indiana's Revised Guidance for Places of Worship](#), here are a few guidelines we will seek to apply as our in-person assemblies are restarted:

- All individuals who are 65 and above or who have an underlying at-risk health condition are strongly encouraged to watch services online ([CharlestownRoad.org](#)).
- If in any way, shape, or form you do not feel well, **please stay home**.
- Upon arrival, please park your own car. Ushers will be present but unavailable to help with parking.
- In accordance with the recent announcements from Floyd County and Indiana state officials, the wearing of a mask is **required**. Beyond providing a measure of protection for yourself, it can help to protect the people around you. If you do not have one, masks will be available for pickup in the foyer. Hand sanitizer will also be readily available throughout the foyer. We encourage you to make good and frequent use of it. These are simple ways we can demonstrate concern and respect for the people around us.
- Ensure 6 feet between individuals or family units.
- The elements of the Lord's Supper will be available in pre-packaged, sealed containers for individual pickup in the foyer.
- Seating will flow from the front to the back and ushers will lead you to the first available seats. Please follow their lead. Every other pew will be used, with appropriate distance maintained between family groups.
- The restrooms and nursery in the B-Hallway will be open; all other hallways are closed.
- At the assembly's conclusion, ushers will dismiss by rows, beginning with the back.

- Baskets for contributions will be available in the foyer.
- There will be no Bible classes at the church building on Sundays or Wednesdays, but videos and class resources will continue to be provided online.
- Everyone is asked to honor social distancing guidelines while in the building, as well as in the parking lot.
- Parents: please keep your children with you at all times—before, during, and after services.
- After everyone has exited, a cleaning crew will stay and disinfect the areas we used for the next assembly.

We realize that to some, these guidelines may sound like a bit much, but we would rather over-prepare and gradually lighten these restrictions than be ill-prepared and begin gathering in a way that puts anyone at risk or makes anyone feel unsafe. Following these guidelines is one important way we can continue to love our neighbors as ourselves ([Matt 22:39](#)) and look out not only for our own interests, but also the interests of others ([Phil 2:4](#)).

I thank God whom I serve...as I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. I long to see you, that I may be filled with joy. ([2 Tim 1:3-4](#))

- Shepherds, deacons, and evangelists