

# Worship Covenant

Our outdoor worship covenant is the means by which we are able to “love our neighbor” by keeping them safe from the coronavirus. Our baptismal covenant calls us to “seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself.” By agreeing to follow the guidelines below we protect ourselves and one another as we experience in-person worship. These instructions for worship are endorsed and approved by our bishop. If they are not followed, we will be forced to return to online services only.

Our covenant agreement is as follows:

- We will park in every other space. Parking spaces are marked.
- We will wait in our vehicle for an usher to escort us to our seat.
- If we are not feeling well or do not feel comfortable gathering with others we will stay home.
- Persons not residing in the same domicile will maintain a 6 foot social distance from all others before, during and after the service.
- We will not congregate in the parking lot before or after the service.
- We will wear a mask at all times except to consume our communion host or while leading speaking parts of the service. (Masks are not required for children under 5) (If you do not have one, one will be provided for you.)
- Worship bulletins are on the table as you enter.
- We will make no physical contact at the passing of the peace.
- We will refrain from singing as it endangers others

- At the time of receipt of communion, one member of the family will come forward to receive the hosts necessary for the family. Communion hosts will be placed on the altar table, an usher will give you hand sanitizer and then you may come forward and retrieve the hosts. The celebrant will offer the words of distribution as you take them from altar table, and then return to your seat where you may distribute them and consume them.
- At the conclusion of the service, we will wait to escorted back to our vehicle.
- Offering plates will not be passed but will be located at the entrance to the pavilion.
- In the event of rain, the service will be cancelled, and only online worship will be available. (Please note that our 10:30am online service will continue every Sunday)
- If you prefer to be at a further distance from the rest of the congregation, please feel free to bring your own chair and place it on the pavilion apron in the marked spaces or on the lawn.
- We can only accommodate a maximum of 50 persons at this time.