

# Guidelines for in person reopening May 24, 2020

## General information:

Stithton Baptist Church family: Here is some vital information for you and your family as we will begin in-person church services May 24<sup>th</sup>.

SBC will begin a limited reopening on May 24, 2020 at our 10:45am Sunday worship service only, please do not arrive more than 15 minutes early.

SBC has chosen to follow the Center for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines as best possible. According to the CDC, the best way to prevent infection is to avoid being exposed. The CDC recommends that anyone 65 or older or anyone that has pre-existing conditions such as asthma, liver disease, heart conditions, compromised immune systems, chronic lung diseases, and anyone sick should avoid contact with others. We will still use the FM 100.1 during the service for those that would like to sit in the parking lot and listen (we will just not be outside). We will continue livestreaming worship service for those of you that choose the safe option of staying at home. You can watch our services on YouTube, Facebook and the church website. If you want to watch later you can go to Stithton Baptist Church YouTube, Facebook videos, and it will also be posted later on our website.

If you are over 65 and/or have medical conditions and choose to attend services, please insure you follow the guidelines below and remind everyone else to also.

There will NOT be Nursery or Children's classes of any kind. All Bible Study groups and services (Sunday morning, Sunday evening, and Wednesdays) are suspended until further notice as we cannot guarantee social distancing.

Please keep social distancing with non-household individual(s) when in the parking lot and in the church.

If you would like to come in the building but do not want to be around larger numbers of people, you may go to the Cove Café and listen (hopefully will be live streaming by then) with no more than 10 people/couples in an area that holds about 140.

We will always need greeters outside or inside (depending on weather) while keeping social distancing. Security may op to do this also.

Please see back page/next page for Guidelines to be followed.

## **Guidelines starting May 24<sup>th</sup> at 10:45 am**

1. All three entries will have a door propped open (main, covered entry and gym) prior to service and at the end of service.
2. At least 6 feet inside the door will be a table with hand sanitizer to use, cloves, mask if you need them and bulletins.
3. Please keep social distancing of 6 feet from all non-household members.
4. Please go straight to the Sanctuary and be seated.
4. All doors to the sanctuary will be propped open.
5. All open pews to sit in will **not** have 2-inch ribbon blocking the entry to the pews, only sit as individuals/couples/families at the ends of the pews by the isles.
6. Offering plates will not be passed, offering boxes are located on the front two sanctuary exits and by the office.
7. The quiet room, nursery and toddler rooms will be used for nursing mothers only, using social distancing (no men allowed down the hallways).
8. We ask if you use the restrooms, please wipe down all areas touched with the supplies in restrooms.
9. If you have young children, please know that they need to be kept close to you during the service. We will not be running buses or vans as a church, if someone picks families up please insure, they know all the guidelines. No children should be brought at this time unless accompanied by a parent/guardian. If children are brought without a parent/guardian, you will be responsible as if they were a part of your household.
10. The balcony will be closed, except for those working during the service.
11. When church is dismissed, please allow those that are over 65 and others going straight to their vehicles to leave first while keeping social distancing.
12. If you feel you need to talk to someone please wait until others leave, then use social distancing in one of the open areas of the sanctuary.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call the church office at 270-351-6055 or pastor Denver at 270-352-9100.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Pastor Denver