



Hanover Church of the Brethren

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Reopening Guidelines as of October 13, 2020

Your Safety is our Priority

General reopening recommendations:

- Everyone is to wear a face mask on church property during time of services (may take it off if speaking to the congregation/safe distance)
- Masks will be available for those who don't have one
- There will be no passing of the peace, handshakes or hugs
- We encourage the use of hand sanitizer in the narthex and at back door entrance
- Sanctuary and any used rooms will be thoroughly cleaned on a regular basis
- If anyone has concerns/suggestions about the reopening process, call church office or a member of the executive committee

Sunday School

- Resumed on September 6 with hand sanitizer in each classroom.

Worship Services

- Resumed 10:30 worship services on June 21
- There will be no greeters for now
- Choir with physical distancing
- Seating will be every third pew- families may sit together and non-family in a pew will stay 6 feet apart (if more space is needed overflow can go to choir area, balcony or portable chairs in front of sanctuary) **video and audio of the services are projected to Fellowship Hall
- Hymnals and songbooks will be in the pews and cleaned following each service
- The children's story will be given, and children may come to the front. **NO SNACKS WILL BE GIVEN AT END OF STORY**
- There will be no "children's church"
- Children will have their own designated toy bag to stay at church after services
- During announcements or sharing of joys and concerns, the microphone will not be passed but a floor mounted microphone will be available near the front of the sanctuary(we encourage announcements to be given to secretary for bulletin)
- Offering plates will be at the back of the sanctuary (plates will not be passed)
- At the end of the service, the back rows will be dismissed first
- Services will be taped and posted for those who don't yet feel safe in attending
- Increased ventilation in the sanctuary (open windows) will be utilized
- We encourage parking lot talk after service- out in the open air

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