

# Gathering in the Sanctuary

## Frequently Asked Questions

### How and why do I have to register for weekly services?

Registration for services will open Monday at 12:00 noon each week. Service times have been changed to allow travel for MCC Groups (Sunday School). The sanctuary seating capacity has been reduced to allow for six-foot social distancing. We are using registration because there are a limited number of seats and when a service is full to our six-foot physical distancing limitations, the service will be closed. **We require that you register.** You can access registration in one of 4 ways: Via an email, you receive on Monday morning OR on our website [www.mtcarmelindy.org](http://www.mtcarmelindy.org) click "Join MC" OR through our Church Emerge App OR if the registrant does not have access to a computer, or difficulty registering, that person can call the church for help, at 317-890-2740. **Registration is to attend a service and does not include specific seat/section reservations.**

### Do I have to register each week?

Yes, one must register each week. Thank you.

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## **Can you register as a family and be seated together without social distancing?**

**No**, you must register each person that will occupy a seat. However, you will be able to be seated with your family without social distancing, if you are seated at the same time.

## **Can I reserve specific seats?**

**No**, Registration is to attend a service. Registration does not include specific seat/section reservations. When you enter the service you've registered for, you will be asked to choose a seating group that is near the door you entered. For example, if you enter through the west door you will be asked to sit in the west section of the church and exit the same door.

Pews have been sectioned off and closed for six-foot social distancing. Roped off pews should not be accessed. You will not be permitted to sit in roped off pews.

## **Can I attend a service I did not register for?**

We respectfully ask that you and your guests do not attend a service without registering. To do so, would put our staff, volunteers, and those who have registered in an unfair position.

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### **Precautions we're taking:**

Our staff has outlined a detailed plan to create a touch-less experience as much as possible. For our worship gatherings, we have Greeters at the doors to open the door for you, seating with six-foot social distancing with those in the same household, and services will be dismissed by section to limit the traffic flow. Hand sanitizing will be required. Masks are required anytime you're on campus as recommended by the CDC. We have disposable masks available if you don't have one of your own. We understand that some people have health concerns that may prevent them from wearing a mask, we ask that you consider continuing our streaming live service as we work through this pandemic. We will have a tithe and offering drop basket available instead of walking. You can also give online through the website and there will be 2 kiosks available at the main entrance. We will not do a handshake greeting time and we're taking special precautions for invitation. Restrooms will be open at the east entrance and west entrance of the building. We clean and sanitize all areas between services. We ask that you arrive no earlier than 30 minutes prior to your service time to allow us ample time to do this. Doors will open at 8:00am and 11:00am.

### **What is a "Space & Grace"**

In respect and responsibility to all, we're asking you to keep "space and grace" in mind. We ask you to maintain social distancing and keep six feet space between you and the next person. As much as you have missed someone, please respect their space. We ask that you extend grace as you keep in

mind that others may not share the same opinion and readiness as you. We ask that you keep “space and grace” in mind anytime you are on our campus.

### **Can I still watch online?**

Yes, services will be available on the Mt Carmel Facebook page and via the website, [www.mtcarmelindy.org](http://www.mtcarmelindy.org), "Streaming Live" dropdown. Online services are available at both the 8:30am and 11:30am services.

### **Is Tuesday night Hour of Power (HOP) offered for in-person worship, also?**

No. Until further notice, Tuesday night service will remain online only, on the Mt Carmel Facebook page and via the website, [www.mtcarmelindy.org](http://www.mtcarmelindy.org), "Streaming Live" dropdown. Currently, weekly ministry activities will continue on-line.

### **Will Sunday School still be available?**

Yes, however, our Sunday School, referred to as MCC Groups, will continue to be offered virtually via Teams and telephone.