

Sayville Congregational United Church of Christ

Sunday, March 13, 2022

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Update: Worship Guidelines; Lent and Easter Schedule
Combined Leadership Deacon Elders and Trustees Meeting
Saturday, March 12, 2022

Dear Friends,

We are moving forward. Considering our own situation and in adherence to current CDC, State, and County guidelines, our leadership is pleased to announce these changes to our time together in worship - beginning today.

Yes, this week marks two years...

Wearing of Masks

Choose to wear a mask or not, based on your personal preference and informed by your personal level of risk to yourself and others. If you are sick, please stay home and watch us [online](#), until you feel better. Also, if you need anything while you are sick and at home, please let us know.

Offering Plates

We will continue to have offering plates at the entrances to the sanctuary. Offering plates will not be passed through the pews. Thank you for leaving your gifts in the plates as you enter or leave.

Joys and Concerns

During the time of Joys and Concerns, we will continue to circulate to hear your prayers and repeat them for those gathered. You will also have the option of using the microphone and announcing your own joys and concerns. Either way, please try to submit your prayers and celebrations in writing, as well. It helps us to keep our prayer list up-to-date.

Pew-seating

We will leave the ribbons on the end of selected pews for now; however, they will be lifted by ushers if we need space for additional seating.

Holy Communion You will be invited to come forward and receive the elements from our Communion servers. We will have "pre-packaged" elements, as well. If you wish to remain in your seat, there will be a time where we will bring the elements of Communion to you. All are invited to the table, always!

Passing of the Peace For now, we will continue to share "Passing of the Peace" as we have been.

Hospitality

We are planning to return to hospitality following worship on Sunday, April 3rd. Yes, Roberta!

Children's Education

We are planning to return to Children's Education soon. If you are interested in assisting, we would love to hear from you.

Holy Week

Palm Sunday - April 10: Distribution of palms at worship.

Maundy Thursday - April 14 - Maundy Thursday Service at 7:30 PM, followed by a light repast.

Good Friday - April 15 - Sanctuary is open from Noon to 3 PM for prayer and meditation.

Easter Sunrise Service - Board the ship at Sayville Ferry, 41 River Road at 5:45 AM. Free Parking.

(Laura Heaney's World Famous) Polish Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall following the Sunrise cruise.

Easter Sunday Service - 10 AM

Easter Egg Hunt following worship on the front lawn!

As you can see, we are planning for a full Lenten and Easter time. We are also prepared to change any of this, should we need to do so.

If you have any questions, please see me or any of our Deacons or Officers:

Mark Conrad, Moderator

Karin Maust, Treasurer

Karin Conrad, Secretary

Laura Heaney, Chair of Deacon Trustees

Kris Misnchke, Chair of Deacon Elders

Hilda Baeza, Deacon Trustee

Pat Cunningham, Deacon Elder

Patricia Mahar, Deacon Elder

Hank Maust, Deacon Trustee

Jeanne Newcombe, Deacon Elder

Connie Kauffman, Deacon Elder

Roger Kauffman, Deacon Trustee

Kari Kaczmarek, Deacon Trustee

Tom Wolf, Deacon Trustee

Many thanks to all who serve this congregation and to all of you for being exactly who you are! :) So good to be together!

Peace,

Ray