

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH OF INDIO

(PLAN OF ACTION FOR REOPENING IN-PERSON WORSHIP)

Psalm 46:1

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

As God is present with us, we rejoice that the time has come for us to gather together once again in-person for Word and Sacrament ministry.

We desire to engage sincerely in the command of our crucified and risen Lord Jesus' directive to deliver His wholesome and saving Gospel of Word and Sacrament ministry to our local community and the ends of the earth. We will conduct this work in faithfulness to our Lord's decree and with special care for the health and well being of our members and others attending in person worship and other activities.

This plan of ministry shall be conducted taking into account receive guidelines from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC):

1. Attendees are encouraged to be seated 6 feet apart within the sanctuary. Members of households may continue to sit in closer proximity within their group. As needed, both the sanctuary and overflow areas shall be employed to ensure said distancing. Ushers will guide congregants in order to aid in seating distances.
2. The wearing of facemasks is suggested but shall remain optional.
3. Offering plates will not be passed from person to person but will be placed in a visible location for the giving of tithes and offerings.
4. Hand sanitizer lotion and sanitary wipes will be provided throughout the facilities and particularly at entrances/exits.
5. Holy Communion: Worshippers will be invited 6 at a time to commune with spacing across the entire altar rail to ensure appropriate distancing. Family units may continue to group together at the altar rail.

(This plan of action is set for use beginning May 31, 2020.)