



Episcopal Diocese of Georgia

COVID-19 Safer Standards Chart

Revised: February 23, 2021

| | Indoors | Outdoors |
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| Maximum Number of People | <p>Up to twenty-five (25) persons if square footage allows (i.e. 25 persons will not exceed the 10 person per 300 square feet condition)</p> <p>OR</p> <p>If the area of the gathering space exceeds 750 square feet, a number of persons up to ten (10) persons per 300 square feet of gathering space to a maximum of 50.</p> <p><i>All numbers include clergy and lay worship leaders</i></p> | <p>Up to seventy-five (75) persons</p> <p><i>All numbers include clergy and lay worship leaders</i></p> |
| Duration | <p>One (1) hour or less total in the space</p> | <p>One and a half (1.5) hours total</p> |
| Spacing | <p>At least six (6) feet apart (including when at the altar)</p> <p>Every other pew/row of chairs cordoned off</p> <p>Do not seat persons directly in front of/behind one another</p> | <p>At least ten (12) feet on all sides (masks not required) between individuals or households</p> <p>At least six (6) feet on all sides (masks required) between individuals or households</p> |

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| <p>One Way and Traffic Flow Markings</p> | <p>Yes</p> <p>Idea is to keep people from crossing paths head-on; arrows in tape on the floor or signs may help direct traffic into and out of nave or worship space, into and out of seating, and similar.</p> | <p>Yes</p> <p>Idea is to keep people from crossing paths head-on; arrows on the ground or signs may help direct traffic into and out of seating and similar.</p> |
| <p>Online Signups Including name and contact information; can also include signing up for seat/placement locations (for example, SignUp Genius)</p> | <p>Recommended</p> <p>If no online signups, names and contact information may be recorded by a designated usher such that only one person touches the pen and paper</p> | <p>Recommended</p> <p>If no online signups, names and contact information may be recorded by a designated usher such that only one person touches the pen and paper</p> |
| <p>Assigned or Recorded Seating/Placement</p> <p>This information is necessary for contact tracing so we may let people know if they may have been exposed to COVID-19.</p> | <p>Yes</p> <p>If assigned seating is not included in online signups, a designated usher may record along with names and contact information</p> | <p>Yes</p> <p>If assigned seating is not included in online signups, a designated usher may record along with names and contact information</p> |

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| <p style="text-align: center;">Masks</p> <p>(The CDC does not currently recommend use of face shields as a substitute for masks. Church must have masks available for persons who do not bring their own; medical grade masks not required)</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">Yes</p> | <p>Yes, while singing, or if spacing less than twelve (12) feet apart</p> <p>No, if spacing greater than twelve (12) feet apart; however, persons should have masks to wear as they move around and in the event they move closer than twelve (12) feet to each other</p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;">Musical Instruments</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">No wind instruments (other than organ)</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">No wind instruments</p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;">Singing and/or Chanting (including choir practice)</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">Soloists/single pod of up to five (5) people only Masked, distanced twenty-five (25) feet or more, amplified if possible.</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">Yes Masks required, at least twelve (12) feet between individuals/pods.</p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;">Eucharist</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">Yes Received in one kind (hosts)</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">Yes Received in one kind (hosts).</p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;">Passing the Peace/Greetings</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">Touch free and maintaining at least six (6) feet of distance (waving, bowing, etc.)</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">Touch free and maintaining at least six (6) feet of distance (waving, bowing, etc.)</p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;">Offering Plates</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">No</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">No</p> |

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| Hand Sanitizer | To be made available at entrances | To be made available |
| Printed Materials | Yes BCP, Hymnal, and other reusable printed worship materials may be used. | Yes BCP, Hymnal, and other reusable printed worship materials may be used. |
| Processions | Yes with no singing in procession | Yes with no singing in procession |
| Restrooms | Emergency use only Post signs at each restroom detailing safer restroom use and safety precautions as necessary. Otherwise cordoned off | Emergency use only Post signs at each restroom detailing safer restroom use and safety precautions as necessary. Otherwise cordoned off |
| Food and Beverages | No | Yes Food/drinks must be individually portioned, preferably in closed containers, and set out ahead of time. Masked individuals/pods come up one at a time to get food/drinks, and must keep masks on until they are seated, ten (10) feet apart, and can only be unmasked while eating/drinking. |

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| <p align="center">COVID-19 Contact Tracing Plan</p> | <p align="center">Remind the gathering:</p> <p>Whom to contact at the church if you develop symptoms of COVID-19 and/or test positive within five (5) days after this gathering.</p> <p>When such information is reported, (i) others at the gathering may be notified of potential exposure (names will not be shared), (ii) the public health department of the county in which the parish is located will be contacted, and (iii) Canon Loren Lasch will be notified in accordance with Diocesan policy.</p> | <p align="center">Remind the gathering:</p> <p>Whom to contact at the church if you develop symptoms of COVID-19 and/or test positive within five (5) days after this gathering.</p> <p>When such information is reported, (i) others at the gathering may be notified of potential exposure (names will not be shared) (ii) the public health department of the county in which the parish is located will be contacted, and (iii) Canon Loren Lasch will be notified in accordance with Diocesan policy.</p> |
| <p align="center">Small Groups (Vestry, Sunday School, Bible Study, etc.)</p> | <p align="center">Yes must follow all guidelines and be approved by Vestry</p> | <p align="center">Yes must follow all guidelines and be approved by Vestry</p> |
| <p align="center">Nursery</p> | <p align="center">Yes must follow CDC and Safeguarding guidelines and be approved by Vestry (see Diocesan website for CDC guidelines)</p> | <p align="center">Yes must follow CDC and Safeguarding guidelines and be approved by Vestry (see Diocesan website for CDC guidelines)</p> |

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| Weddings/Funerals | Yes must follow all guidelines | Yes must follow all guidelines |
| Third Party Space Use (rentals, community meetings) | Yes must follow all guidelines, sign a liability waiver, and be approved by Vestry | Yes must follow all guidelines, sign a liability waiver, and be approved by Vestry |