

Safety Protocols for Small Group Meetings

At Wrightsville UMC

All of us have a role to play in keeping each other safe.

Please stay home if anyone in your family is not feeling well or experiencing any symptoms (including fever, chills, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, cough, or loss of taste or smell). If you have been exposed to Covid in the last 14 days we ask that you worship and study from home.

Out of love for our neighbors, intent to do no harm, and desire to spread the Word of God and not COVID-19, The Wrightsville United Methodist Church Re-Entry Committee has developed the following safety rules for on-site gatherings:

Temperature checks are required for all participants.

When entering and exiting the building, everyone should remain socially distanced. Children and Youth will use a “tap and go” system to provide adequate spacing between individuals.

The added intensive cleaning schedule requires that meeting attendees not go into other spaces/areas before or after scheduled meetings and to use the restroom closest to meeting space.

Everyone should leave the building within 15 minutes from the end of meeting and remain distanced while doing so.

Face coverings are to be worn inside the building at all times – even while seated and while speaking. Disposable masks will be provided.

Practice social distancing at all times. For adults this distance remains at 6 feet. For children/youth this distance has been changed to 3 feet in accordance with the latest guidance.

Eating or drinking is ONLY allowed when the food or drink is provided in individual packaging and when the participant is seated and appropriately distanced from others. This applies to both inside and outside meetings.

Wrightsville UMC General Covid Guidelines

Again, we ask that you please stay home if anyone in your family is not feeling well or experiencing any symptoms (including fever, chills, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, cough, or loss of taste or smell). We are asking that when your temperature is checked and found to be over 100 degrees F, that you come back when you are fever free. If you have been exposed to Covid in the last 14 days we ask that you worship and study from home. We have video and zoom links for worship and for classes.

Please follow state and local guidelines on self-quarantine if your family travels.

Please inform the group leader if you or your child develops symptoms of the virus after attending a class/event/meeting OR tests positive for the virus OR comes into contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 (especially family members).

These protocols are for the safety of all participants. If you are not comfortable with the rules set forth at this time, we ask that you wait until restrictions have been relaxed before you attend any small groups taking place on-site at Wrightsville UMC.

*These rules are subject to change as the state moves to different phases and at the discretion of Wrightsville United Methodist Church Re-Entry Committee (composed of representatives from administrative council, trustees, staff parish, medical professionals from within the congregation and Wrightsville UMC staff).

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