



Good afternoon CrossPoint!

I hope you and your family are doing well during this Covid-19 virus crisis. It has been a long five months, And I want you to know that your pastor and his wife have prayed for you diligently throughout this entire time. We love each of you very much and are so thankful to be apart of your lives and have your family as a part of our church family.

Beginning this week, we are looking to reopen and come back into the church building. I attended a security meeting for churches this week and found that other churches and our government's direction is not looking too decrease precautions anytime soon. When we went back to the parking lot, Drive-in Service, the reasoning and hope was that this would be a short-term three or four weeks of increased precautions, and then everything will go back to normal. That is not the case, so we are making decisions now to bring things back to normal, or whatever the new normal will be. After meeting with our Advisory Council, this is what we have determined to be our best course of action at this point.

While we are going back into the building, there are some adjustments that we are making. As you know, I have been very careful as your pastor to protect our church people, and to protect our testimony in the community. I feel it is important that we do our part to help stop the virus, as well as let people know that we care about them, body, and soul. So, when we go back into the building this Sunday, we will be practicing the CDC social distancing guidelines that are in place for other places of business. There will be a nursery and children's church available, with an emphasis on Social distancing as well. We will also begin having our normal Wednesday evening mid-week Bible studies and children's program this coming Wednesday, July 29 at 7PM.

We will ask that if you are entering the building, that you will bring a face mask with you, as this will be an expectation from your pastor, to help follow these guidelines. If you do not have a mask, one will be provided for you free of charge. \*If you have a medical exemption or a physical reason that you cannot wear the mask, you may still attend but practice good social distancing. We asked that everyone do a pre-screening of their health before they come if possible. We are also asking everyone to have their temperature taken, and to utilize the hand sanitizer upon entering the building. The thermometer that we will be using is non-contact and CDC approved, and instantaneous.

We will ask that you continue wearing the mask whenever you are out of your seat and during the song service. When you are seated, and once the message part of the service begins, you may feel free to remove your mask or keep it on. That will be up to your discretion. When we leave to enter the building, we will ask everyone, including pastoral staff and leadership, to wear their masks. This is in CDC compliance to when you go to a restaurant to eat, or to any larger social gathering.

I know this is an inconvenience, and that there are wide ranging opinions on the effectiveness of masks, the importance of masks, etc. But we are coming to church to worship the Lord, not to argue and complain. And if by wearing a mask (which is a small inconvenience) it will help more people to be able to come to worship, including those that are most at-risk, then I believe we should have a giving and loving spirit as Christians, to protect those that we are worshipping with. We are all brothers and sisters in Christ, should strive to live for and help those around us. The most important part of our church is

that we come together as one local body again. We need church! Please bear this all in mind when we come to church on Sunday.

Brenda and I love each of you very much and are looking forward to seeing everyone this Sunday morning at 10:30 AM. God bless you, God keep you, and may you stay safe and healthy until then. As always, feel free to reach out to me for any questions, concerns, or additional information You may need. My door is always open to each of you.

Love in Christ,

Pastor Crawford