



March 5, 2021

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD!" – Psalm 122:1

Beloved in Christ,

We have continued to monitor the status of the COVID-19 virus.

- Both hospitalizations and deaths have declined
- As of this week, daily new cases in Allegheny County dropped below 200
- Vaccinations continue and, with the approval of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine, more people will be vaccinated each week

With these positive trends the Session through its Administrative Team has developed the following plan for returning to in-person worship and group meetings.

Beginning March 15 – the youth group and small groups of 20 persons or less may resume meeting
Thursdays March 18 and 25

- Noon in-person worship, limit 30 persons
- 7:15 p.m. in-person worship, limit 30 persons

Thursday, April 1st Maundy Thursday in-person worship, 7:15 p.m., limit 90 persons

Sunday, April 4th (Easter), 8:30 & 11 a.m. in-person worship, limit 90 persons each service

Monday, April 12th, larger groups of over 20 persons may resume

Worship on Maundy Thursday and on Sundays will continue to be livestreamed.

Because the virus continues to be a serious threat and because new strains are highly communicable attending any group gathering exposes persons to the potential risk of infection. Therefore, we will continue our mitigation practices.

- If you are not feeling well, please stay home and worship via the livestream
- Sign up to attend worship on “**Reserve a Seat**” at www.oakmontpresbyterianchurch.org
- Required mask wearing whenever inside the OPC building
- We will open sanctuary windows to provide for airflow
- Hand sanitizers are located at all OPC entrances
- Maintaining physical distance before, during & after worship excepting people in a familial pod
- Singing only by masked small group, physically distanced in the choir loft

Whether we gather in the “house of the Lord” or participate electronically, we remain a community of faith and God will be praised.

Steve