



<p>FCCGE REOPEN PLAN</p> <p>Guiding Values:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safety of our congregation • Inclusivity and Access • Caring and Consideration of others • Quality and Meaningful Experiences • Cost and Space Limitations • Balance of Tradition and Innovation • Patience—prioritizing wisdom above speed 	<p>FCCGE Gathering Guidelines - November 2020</p> <p><i>On Wednesday, November 11, 2020, the State of Illinois announced heightened restrictions for DuPage, Kane, Kankakee and Will counties, as COVID-19 cases surged to highest levels since May 2020. As Illinois returns to Tier 2 restriction levels, FCCGE has adjusted its policy for small groups and gatherings accordingly.</i></p> <p>Illinois State-Mandated Restrictions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Restaurants – No indoor dining. Outdoor dining reduced from parties of 10 to 6 people. • Meetings and social gatherings - Reduced to 10 people indoors and outdoors for 1 hour or less. This means all gatherings such as weddings, funerals or professional meetings are reduced from 25 to 10 people, whether held indoors or outdoors, and duration is less than 1 hour. • Homeless shelters – Per the Executive Order, Section 12c, homeless shelters are exempt. <p>This policy is subject to adjustment and compliance with state and local mandates.</p>
<p>Worship Services</p> <p><i>Remain virtual</i></p> <p><i>Pre-recording team limited to 10 or fewer</i></p>	<p>Worship services remain virtual – pre-taped w/maximum 10-person worship team</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communion is virtual – First Sunday of the month; one Clergy has elements in virtual service; Congregants follow along with their own food/drink at home • Confirmation is virtual <p>For recording services: Face coverings and strict adherence to social distancing required. Guidelines for Entry to Church and Conduct in Building enforced. Disinfection expanded after recording virtual service.</p>
<p>Ceremonies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weddings • Funerals • Baptisms <p><i>Limited to 10 or fewer participants</i></p>	<p>Indoors in Sanctuary - limited to 10 or fewer participants, duration of 45 minutes or less.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Face masks required of all attendees <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Special mask instructions will be provided to wedding couples and for baptisms • Seating chart required for guests in pews to ensure social distancing • No gathering or receiving lines before or after ceremonies inside church • Photos and taping during ceremony allowed; but no staging large group photos before or after • Recorded music or instrumentalists only; no soloists • All participants follow Guidelines for Entry to Church and Conduct in Building <p>Outdoor ceremonies – Due to the limitations of our property, outdoor ceremonies can be coordinated if family provides a suitable outdoor venue; please contact and coordinate with Clergy</p> <p>Recorded services - Ceremonies can be recorded and posted online to share virtually afterwards; Live-streaming coming soon (TBD)</p>
<p>Individual Reflection / Prayer in Sanctuary</p> <p><i>Limited to individuals or family/households</i></p>	<p>The Sanctuary will remain available for individual prayer/reflection/quiet time during the weekdays. Please call the church office at 630.469.3096 Mon-Fri 9-5:30 pm beforehand to make a reservation. We ask that you limit your time to 45 minutes and follow the Guidelines for Entry to Church and Conduct in Building.</p>
<p>Outdoor events and small group gatherings</p> <p><i>Limited to 10 or fewer</i></p>	<p>Small gatherings on church property - Outdoor gatherings on church property will be limited to 10 or fewer persons for 1 hour or less. A firepit area will be available on the lawn near the parking lot behind the church for small outdoor gatherings of community groups, committees, and ministry teams. The organizer should reserve the outdoor space with the church office. Participants should bring their own</p>

<p><i>participants</i></p>	<p>chairs.</p> <p>Outdoor events (walk through / drive through) - As weather permits, the church will sponsor outdoor events where attendance numbers will be limited to no more than 10 persons at one time. Depending on the nature of the event, online registration will be used. Outdoor events will not be sit-down events, but rather activities that encourage walking at social distance and drop-off/pick-up events. Face masks will be required; social distancing will be enforced.</p> <p>Workdays and other outdoor projects will be limited to 10 participants, where family/household units work apart from one another and social distancing is maintained, and where projects can be completed in less than 1 hour.</p>
<p>Church School</p>	<p>Virtual instruction continues - thru end of calendar year. Virtual small groups offered to foster community, working in tandem with Youth Fellowships.</p>
<p>Ministry Teams / Community Groups / Council / Committees / Meetings</p>	<p>Virtual meetings will continue using Zoom. In-person meetings will be approved on a case-by-case basis with rooms set to reinforce 6 ft. social distancing. Attendees assist with disinfecting procedures after room use. All participants follow Guidelines for Entry to Church and Conduct in Building.</p>
<p>PADS Hosting</p>	<p>Homeless shelters are exempt from IL state restrictions on small group gatherings. PADS was reinstated on November 8, 2020, to be held on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday evenings for up to 20 guests. Number of volunteers and interaction with guests greatly reduced due to increased PADS staffing.</p>
<p>Church Office / Operations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daily Cleaning • Communications Outreach • Property Maintenance • Capital Projects 	<p>Limited to 10 or fewer staff/Clergy members working independently onsite.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No in-person, all-staff meetings. • Face coverings and social distancing observed. • Disinfection procedures expanded with more staff in the building. • All staff and Clergy follow Guidelines for Entry to Church and Conduct in Building. <p>Virtual communications continue as in prior phases. Touchless pickup and drop-off methods and drive-thru delivery methods used as appropriate.</p> <p>Property maintenance continues and elevated cleaning and disinfection procedures emphasized as use of building increases. All staff, vendors and volunteers working on capital improvement and maintenance projects follow Guidelines for Entry to Church and Conduct in Building.</p>
<p>GEYFS Use of Building</p>	<p>GEYFS uses designated areas of building and follows Guidelines for Entry to Church and Conduct in Building.</p>