

THE CHURCH IS COMING BACK INTO THE BUILDING!

This decision and phased plan has been carefully put together through much prayer and wisdom from the RC leadership, your thoughts from our RC survey, State of Ohio guidelines and CDC guidelines, along with recommendations from our Ohio Ministry Network and national Assemblies of God offices.

We want to demonstrate care for everyone in our church family, so here are a few ways our time together will look temporarily different.

- Our **service has been modified** to accommodate social distancing and mass gathering requirements. We will meet at **10:30AM for 60 minutes**.
- We are asking that **everyone wear masks due to the most recent order from our governor**. The only ones who will not wear a mask are those who are considered “officiants” of the service. That includes the preacher, worship team, and anyone up on the stage while officiating.
- **The sanctuary seating will be filled to less than half capacity** and will be available on a first come first serve basis. We will cap availability once we are at capacity. An overflow room will be available in **ROOM 210** and we have other classrooms available if we need to utilize them.
- **Rockside Kids** (1st-5th grades) and **Pebbles** (preschool) will be given activity pages each week as they sit with their parents during service. Feel free to bring your own entertainment as well. We will also have a **FAMILY ROOM** located in **ROOM 216-218** that parents can utilize. Each family unit will need wear a mask and practice social distancing while using the family room. We will live stream the service into this room. Kids under 10 are not required by the most recent order to wear a mask.

Room Locations are as follows:

Main Sanctuary	Room 202 (Live — Social distanced groups of chairs)
Overflow	Room 210 (Streamed live on screen)
Family Room	Room 216-218 (Streamed live on screen)

- **Rock-A-Bye Baby** (birth-3 years) will remain **temporarily closed**—these children are welcome in service with us as well and in the family room accompanied by their parents. Please stay tuned for our re-launch of each of these ministries
- **Revive Student Ministries** (6th-12th grade) will continue to meet online each week.

These are additional measures we have put in place to help maintain a safe environment:

- Our café and drinking fountains will temporarily be closed. Feel free to support our local coffee shops on the way to church and/or bring your water bottle/coffee along with you to service.
- Restrooms are open and available for use. Please realize you will need to self-manage as you make use of the restrooms.



- Although we already have sanitizing stations at IWU, we will increase the access to these stations for you and your families.
- For this time, we will be moving to the “**air high fives**” or “**waving at each other from a safe distance**” or the “**pretend hug**” in this season. **We will refrain from any form of physical contact at this time.**
- Every person attending will need to be aware that **wearing a mask is mandatory** and keeping **6 feet social distance** will still be an important practice to help keep everyone safe.
- **We will be filling the sanctuary at less than half capacity** - chairs will be separated and we ask **only those from the same household sit together.**
- **Bulletins will not be available.** We will keep our Facebook, Instagram, and Website up to date.
- **We encourage people to continue to give online**, and a giving kiosk is available at the end of the service to receive the offering.
- At the conclusion of the service you will be dismissed by rows.
- We ask that you **wait until you exit the building and get to the parking lot before you have times of fellowship.** We will not linger or gather in the sanctuary or out in the hallway.
- For now, we won't hold traditional altar calls (there will be prayer but no physical contact).
- The church will be sanitized before our next Sunday Service.

Still not ready to come back just yet?

There is ZERO pressure. We care about you too and want to provide a safe environment.

Our services will continue to be live-streamed so you have the opportunity to experience service from home until you are ready.

We will continue to seek wisdom and pray for everyone during this transition and ask that you do the same.

As always, we are here to support and resource the community the best we can. For more information on who we are, what we are doing, and how to connect in with us, please visit www.rocksidechurch.com.

Thanks for your continued prayers as we all navigate this together.

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