

Religious Service Recommendations

During the Covid-19 pandemic, religious services have been exempted from any mandates because of 1st Amendment freedoms.

Below is a list of recommended best practices

- Suggest congregants sit with their families. Have each family sitting at least six feet from other people. Encourage members to wear masks. These two strategies used together provide a multi layered approach to keep your congregation safe.
- As much as possible, eliminate the touching of common surfaces, such as collection baskets and other prayer materials.
- Indoor activity is inherently more dangerous than outdoor activities because of the recirculating of the air inside. The more outside air incorporated, the better.
- Continue to offer vulnerable members of your community alternative methods of attending a service. Those over 65 and those with chronic lung disease or moderate to severe asthma, serious heart conditions, immune compromised conditions, severe obesity (body mass index of 40 or higher), chronic kidney disease undergoing dialysis, or liver disease are at higher risk from COVID-19.