

30 May 2020

To our Family of Hope Goodells: The following measures will be taken until further notice as we reopen Hope Goodells on 31 May 2020.

PERSONAL AND CHURCH HYGIENE:

- **We encourage the use of masks.**
- **Avoid handshakes and close greetings/conversations; remember the 6-foot rule!**
- **Please use the side door and keep belongings on your person.** *This will minimize contamination in the fellowship and entrance areas.*
- **The fellowship room will be closed off at this time;** we will not have normal fellowship (coffee, snacks, etc.) after church--similar to a Good Friday Service. *Fellowship is encouraged outside in the church parking lot (6-foot distance)!*
- Offerings will be gathered as normally done by the usher; the usher will, however, be placing the offerings on a font before the altar and not upon the altar so the minister does not have contact.
- **The Hymnals will not be used;** printouts of the hymns will be included in the Worship bulletin.
- **Please take your Worship bulletin home for disposal.**
- **Pew seating has been rearranged.**
- The Donation Dropbox will be suspended at this time. *We encourage bringing donations to other sites that have the collection, sorting, and cleaning means. We are seeing how other sites are proceeding with collections.*
- The last person(s) in the church will **sanitize door knobs and commonly touched items.** Cleaning will occur in the church as regularly scheduled. *We are at church once a week so we are not looking at extensive cleaning as time should eliminate the virus on surfaces.*

ADMINISTERING HOLY COMMUNION:

- A **mask** will be worn by the minister and **gloves and sanitizer** will be used prior to uncovering and preparing the altar for communion and while giving the sacrament.

RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION:

- People will be ushered to the altar in **groups of two or as a family group.** A family may also proceed in groups of two if they prefer.
- The communion rail will NOT be used and **communicants will remain standing.**
- The **body of Christ will be placed into a disposable cup** so that you can pour out the wafer directly into your mouth and not have to use unclean hands.
- The wafer cup and the wine **cup will be disposed by the communicant** in a nearby waste bin.
- Those that don't commune but wish for a blessing may approach the altar but they will not receive a laying of hands on the forehead but will receive a blessing and the sign of the cross.

SUNDAY SCHOOL:

- **No Sunday School at this time;** activities will be provided. An area just outside the chapel at the entrance will be available should you wish to step out.

~ Deacon William

