

We want to offer our steadfast gratitude for your patience and grace as we continue navigating protocols and best practices surrounding Covid-19. Thank you to both the Protocol Team and MLT (Ministry Leadership Team) for their continued discernment and guidance. When a protocol is considered, it is proposed by our 15-member Protocol Team (which includes the Ministry Team), before being reviewed and voted on by our 23 member MLT. This means more than 30 folks (there is some overlap across teams) have offered input and wisdom before coming to a consensus on how to move forward. As county mandates expire and change, we know it can be confusing (if not downright frustrating) to experience different levels of protocol in work environments, schools, and places of worship. We continue to strive toward maintaining the best balance of returning to “normal”, while offering a safe environment for all who enter our doors. The following changes were approved by our MLT on November 1st. The Protocol Team meets again on Monday, November 29th.

- Church Mask Mandate will follow Jackson County guidance – and if mask mandate ends (which took place on November 12th), masking will still be strongly recommended (but not required) in Worship and Sunday School Classes/Small Groups.
 - Children (ages 2-12) and anyone working with children will continue to mask.
 - Choir will continue singing with masks and distancing.
 - Outer two sections in Sanctuary will continue to be set up for people who desire (for whatever reason) to wear masks and distance by roping off every other pew.
- Congregational Singing will be allowed in Worship with masks required.
- Continue masks on Church Bus.