

A GUIDE TO WORSHIP

Rayne will be offering three Worship services beginning **October 18th**.

On-site Worship: 8:30a & 11:30a

Online: 10a (Facebook Live)

● A WORD FROM THE PASTORS...

During this pandemic, for best health practices we requested that you worship with us from home. We ask that you continue to worship from home for at least an additional two weeks. We are offering the date of **October 18th** for a return to on-site worship. For many of us who are considered high risk, continuing to participate in worship from home might be the best choice at that time. If you would like to join us in worship on-site, we encourage you to consider that even with precautions and adaptations, gathering in person still entails risk. Whichever mode of worship you choose, we support your decision. We are grateful and humbled to be in ministry to and with you.

Let everything you do be done in love,
Jay & Marissa

● WORSHIPING ON-SITE

-Masks: You will be asked to wear a masks for on-site worship. Our experts have helped us understand that masks save lives, yours and others. If you do not bring a mask, we will have plenty of masks available.

-Reservations: It is helpful for us to know who is coming to worship, when, and how many will attend. We will restrict the number of on-site worshippers so that everyone in attendance can carefully social distance inside our Sanctuary. You may RSVP online via links in the eNews or on our website. You can also call the church office (899-3431). Please make sure to leave your name, number in your party and a phone number. We will begin taking reservations for the following Sunday on Mondays at 7a.

-Arriving: Please arrive no more than 15 minutes before Worship and enter through the St. Charles entrance (the Circle Drive). When you arrive your temperature may be taken. Please practice good hygiene: avoid touching your face, use the hand sanitizer that is available, and sneeze or cough into your elbow or mask.

-Questions: You will be asked these questions when you arrive. If the answer to any one of these is yes, then we ask that you worship with us from home on that day. These questions are based on those suggested by the Bishop of the Louisiana Conference and her task force for returning to on-site worship.

Do you have a current COVID 19 virus diagnosis?

Have you or anyone in your household had exposure to the COVID 19 virus in the past two weeks?

Do you have a cough?

Do you have or have you had a fever in the last 24 hours?

-Precautions: Current precautions include: no congregational singing, no passing of the offering plate, no on-site communion or baptisms, and no physical gathering at the Red Steps (a Moment for Children). Small groups, Sunday School Classes, and all youth and children activities will remain digital for the time being. We will be cleaning frequently touched areas between services. We will practice social distancing.

-Departing: Worship will be around 30 minutes. Our ushers will dismiss the congregation by row. As we disperse, please continue to respect social distance and refrain from gathering in groups outside. We must all do our part to protect the health of each other.

-Changes: We will be constantly assessing the current health risks, making it possible that we may return to worshipping only from home or may implement other adaptations or precautions as information becomes available.

● WORSHIPING ONLINE

We will have continued opportunities for Worship Online. For an extended worship experience with congregational singing and occasionally celebrating Communion, join us on Facebook at 10a.