

BRIDGEPORT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR NEW FORMAT FOR RESUMING IN PERSON WORSHIP

It will be a very different format for a season of time so PLEASE READ CAREFULLY THIS MATERIAL. Here is what you need to know:

1. **The guidelines from The United Methodist Church and our officials still say: “Safer At Home”. Please consider continuing to worship by livestream only.**
2. **If you absolutely feel that you must be in the building then:** there will be 2 in person worship opportunities provided at the Main Campus beginning on Sunday June 14.
In person worship: Sundays at 8:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m.
3. All persons are encouraged to continue to watch the Livestream instead of attending in person. The 10:45 a.m. livestream will be with no people present.
4. **In order to attend you must register** so that we will know how many are attending. Registration is online at Bridgeportumc.org. The format is like that of a ticketing site. If you cannot register online please call the church office for assistance. Registration is limited to 75 persons per service so that proper distance can be maintained at all times. **YOU MUST REGISTER EACH WEEK BY THURSDAY NOON.**
5. **The following guidelines will be adhered to by all:**
 - a. If you are of a vulnerable age; have any underlying health issues; have allergy issues; or any other health related concerns PLEASE stay home and watch online.
 - b. All persons MUST bring and wear a mask, including children. If for health or other reasons you cannot wear a mask, then continue to watch at home.
 - c. Ushers will assign all seating AND direct persons entering and exiting.
 - d. There will be no childcare offered.
 - e. Restrooms will be closed except for emergencies. If you have any problems related to restroom usage please stay home and watch online.
 - f. There will be no singing, group recitations, or bulletins. The service will be 30 minutes only.
 - g. A full sanitation of the facility will have to occur before, between, and after services.
 - h. Offering baskets will be at the entrances.
 - i. Entrance will be only through the 2 main sanctuary doors.
 - j. Signage & 6 ft. distancing markers will be visible. Please do not gather before/after service.
 - k. When leaving please do so as quickly as possible as others will be coming after you.
 - l. The Education building and other levels of the facility are closed until further notice
 - m. No Sunday school or other group gatherings will convene at this time. A full program of Online Bible Studies and Sunday school for ALL AGES is available. Go to Bridgeportumc.org for information and get connected to a study.

This is only the first step in making our worship space available again. This schedule will continue at least through the summer months. It will not last forever but we appreciate your support and prayers during this time. As always watch our social media platforms for updates or changes. Thank you.