



# *Grace United Methodist Church*

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Friends of Vermilion Grace United Methodist Church,

Our church will now, as of June 12, 2020, be moving into Phase 2A for our safe re-entry of the church building and property for group use.

## **So what does this entail?**

In Phase 2A, committees and small groups of 10 people or less will be granted permission to use our outdoor facilities: the Bliss Pavilion, the Memorial Prayer Garden, and our parking lot.

We are encouraging all groups and group leaders to consider the safety of their members before deciding to meet in person. Meeting in person should not be a requirement for participation in any group. Our pavilion has WiFi access and Zoom or call-in options are available for mixed in-person and virtual meetings. Please talk to the Pastor to assist in setting this up. Groups are more than welcome to continue meeting exclusively via virtual means.

## **Phase 2A Directives:**

- Committees and small groups must consist of 10 people or less, and can meet outside the building in the pavilion or the parking lot.
  - The building will remain locked during meeting times and indoor bathrooms will not be available for use.
- All individuals who are not of the same household must be spaced at least 6 feet apart.
  - In the pavilion, individuals are to sit at different tables, keeping space between them.
  - If meeting in the parking lot, individuals are asked to bring their own lawn chairs and space themselves at least 6 feet apart.
- Each individual and/or group is encouraged to bring their own disinfectant and towel and/or wipes. The church will have available supplies in an outside bin as well.
  - When meeting in the pavilion, each individual should wipe down their space before and after use.

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- All individuals are required to wear face masks that properly cover your mouth and nose.
    - Until the church can obtain an on-site supply, please bring your own facemask. If you need a facemask, please contact your Shepherd or the church office.
  - Our prayer garden is open and available for individuals who desire a space for outside prayer and meditation. Please bring your own disinfectant/wipes and clean your area before and after use. If individuals are alone, you do not need to wear a mask. However, please bring one in case another person shows up to use the prayer garden. Please work to maintain 6 feet distance from other individuals.

If you would like to start a small group at this time, please contact Pastor Allison.

Starting on June 17, 2020, Pastor Allison will also be hosting pavilion office hours on Wednesdays from 1 - 3PM. This will be weather dependent. During this time, drop-ins are welcome but appointments are highly encouraged. If someone would like to set up a time to meet with Pastor Allison outside of these hours, please contact her and she will gladly set-up a separate time to meet. She can be reached at (440)967-6474.

These are the **guidelines for meeting for Pavilion Office Hours with Pastor Allison:**

- Pastor Allison will wear a mask. Please, for her health, wear a mask as well.
- Please bring either disinfectant and/or wipes and wipe down your area before and after use.
- Please sit at a different table from Pastor Allison, maintaining at least 6 feet of distance.
- If you arrive and see that someone is already meeting with Pastor Allison, please respect their privacy and wait in your car until they leave or you are waved over.

Look for an update soon on Phase 2B. This phase will cover:

- Groups of 10 or less meeting inside the building
- Office Hours

Also see our news about our upcoming drive-in worship!

We thank everyone for their patience during this time. We believe we must move forward with an abundance of caution out of love for our neighbors, caring for the vulnerable among us as Jesus calls us to do.

Sincerely,

Pastor Allison  
&  
The Safe Start Team

