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ZION UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

PHASE 3 Update

WHAT TO BRING

- **MASK**
- **OFFERINGS & TITHES**



What you need to know

As the weather changes with autumn upon us, more of our building groups that had been meeting outside will be moving into our gym. Because of the frequent use of the gym, the council believes that worshipping in our sanctuary will be safer for our members. We ask that you continue to be vigilant with social distancing, masking wearing, and hygiene. Indiana still remains under a mask mandate, and Marion County continues with restrictions. Things are not yet back to "normal." Indiana has seen record cases in recent weeks, along with rising deaths and hospitalizations. The council will continue to monitor restrictions, case numbers, hospitalizations, deaths, and whether elective surgeries are permitted, as this is a key indicator of the state of our local health care.

- **WHEN:** Starting **November 1, 2020** at 10:00 am
- **WHERE:** Zion Sanctuary
- **WHO:** We ask that anyone who is *sick, not feeling well, or has a temperature* to join us for Worship @ Home. Per local, state, and federal guidelines, we ask those over 65 and those with underlying health conditions to be cautious and adhere to all social distancing guidelines. We encourage those who are not ready to be out to continue to join us for Worship @ Home. If you are well and ready for in-person worship, we are very excited to welcome you!
- **HOW:** Our service will continue to be the same as it was during Phase 2 of our reopening plan. It will be a short service with instrumental music, prayer, scripture reading, a reflection, offering, and a blessing.
 - Please, wear a **mask** properly at all times. Your mask should cover both your nose and your mouth.
 - Practice **social distancing** by maintaining at least 6 feet between you and those outside of your household.
 - **Pews** will be roped off to allow for distancing.
 - **Ushers will dismiss pews** after our service is finished to help us maintain proper distancing. Please, do not crowd the doorways or aisles.
 - Hand sanitizer will be available .
 - A box will be set out where you can drop off your **offering** either before or after the service.
 - Individual, pre-packaged juice/wafer sets have been donated for **communion**. We will safely distribute these before worship and ask that you throw away your own trash following the service.
 - **Attendance** will be taken at every service. If you attend a service and are subsequently diagnosed with COVID, we ask that you contact us immediately. Your privacy will be protected, but we will need to inform others who have attended the service.

Please note that our outdoor grounds, gym, and now our sanctuary are the only areas at Zion that our open. The council continues to constantly evaluate our local COVID situation. Through it all your health and safety have been and will continue to be their priority.