

**BUILDING GUIDELINES FOR
ST. MARK'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
FOR MEETINGS AND GATHERINGS:
As Revised by the Administrative Board Effective 6/8/2021**

All persons shall adhere to the following Guidelines:

1. Stay home if you have any symptoms of Covid-19: fever, cough, sore throat, shortness of breath, loss of taste or smell, etc.
2. Use sanitizer when entering the building and on a regular basis. Hand sanitizer will be at entrances and other locations throughout the building.
3. **The mask protocol has changed:**
 - a. Facial masks for vaccinated individuals are no longer required. Persons may continue to mask if they desire.
 - b. Unvaccinated persons are encouraged to wear masks.
 - c. Masks for children Ages 3 – 11 and adult servant leaders working with children in our Nursery and G.L.O.W. children's ministries will continue to wear masks at this time.
4. For the safety and wellbeing of all who enter the St. Mark's United Methodist Church facility, all persons shall continue to adhere to social distancing guidelines with the following limits on the number of individuals:
 - a. Sanctuary – No more than 125 people gathering.
 - b. Fellowship Hall – No more than 30 people gathering.
 - c. Choir Room (Room No.107/109) No more than 16 people gathering.
 - d. Any other room that is opened up will have the gathering capacity posted on the door.
 - e. Picnic Shelter – No limit with social distancing (outside).
5. As before, contact the church office to schedule use of a room.
6. External groups will annually sign a form stating that it is their responsibility to follow the COVID guidelines established by St. Mark's United Methodist Church and absolving St. Mark's of any liability should members of their groups fail to follow the policies and then become ill or die.

These Guidelines are for anyone entering our building and are to be upheld by each of us individually and collectively. All of us will need to take responsibility to uphold these Guidelines.

We close with this quotation offered by Governor Mike Dewine:

"This is about protecting each other. It's as old as the scriptures:
Love your neighbor."

We are yours in Christ,

The Administrative Board and Staff of St. Mark's United Methodist Church