



WHAT TO EXPECT WHEN YOU COME TO CHURCH ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2020

The world has changed and we must change with it. Our Health Emergency Preparedness Team and Volunteer Cleaning Teams have worked hard to ensure that before we reopen all public areas (entrances, stairways, bathrooms, sanctuary, Fellowship Hall, elevator, etc.) will have been thoroughly cleaned and sanitized in accordance with the strict requirements of CDC, NYS and NYAC.



Only church staff and leaders will be admitted to other areas.



You will Enter through the Grant Street doors; and Exit through the Main Street doors.



You are asked to observe social distancing as you await entrance into the building.

You must wear a mask to enter the building (toddlers until two years old are exempt); we will have a supply if needed.



Anyone who is/has been ill is asked to stay home.



An attendant will explain protocol, scan your temperature and ask that you use a touch-free sanitizer.



Signs in accordance with COVID-19 safety guidelines will be posted throughout. There will be availability tags by the bathrooms, which will contain touchless soap dispensers and step-on wastebaskets.





An attendant will direct you to marked seating (families may sit together) and your name and contact info (phone/email) will be recorded, as required for contact tracing.



Please note that seating is limited.



There will be no choirs or singing of hymns and no communion.

Offering plates will be at the altar for your use upon entering or leaving worship. *

After service and benediction, attendants will guide worshippers to the exits.

Protocol instructions and reasons for enforcing them will be explained to anyone who asks.

Should anyone not wish to comply they will be politely asked to leave the premises.

All areas will be sanitized prior to the next worship service.

Please note that the service will still be available online via Zoom.

Our reopening process and protocol are designed to accomplish two important goals: to provide measures to protect everyone from the virus, and to uphold the integrity of the Gospel of Jesus Christ by caring for each other with Christian love.

* Alternate Giving may be done through [Tithe.ly](https://tithe.ly). There are three methods of giving - pick what works best for you.

1 - Farmingdale UMC website: From the home page, go to the Donate tab, then Online & General Giving, then click on the "Donate" button. This will direct you to the giving page for our church.

2 - Or use the direct URL link to the giving page for our church. <https://tithe.ly/give?c=1697513>

3 - You can also download the App onto your mobile phone. Download the "[Tithe.ly](https://tithe.ly) Finance" app with green logo. It will next prompt you to look for our church - enter Farmingdale United Methodist Church. You will be directed to the giving page for our church.