

Fayette First Baptist Church

Re-opening the building for worship this Sunday!

First of all, I want you to know that your safety and well-being is on our hearts and minds as we re-open our worship services inside our building. **For those who because of health reasons need to remain at home, we want to encourage you to continue to stay home** and we will continue to live stream our worship services on Facebook and show the replay on local cable. For those who are going to worship inside of the church building, we are making changes in how we gather together during this time. Please know that everyone will have to make some decisions and make adjustments to accommodate a temporary new normal in worship.

- FFBC is re-opening worship gatherings on Sundays with two services:
a 9:00 am worship service and a 11:00 am worship service. Our plans include social distancing in our seating capacity in the sanctuary with an overflow crowd joining by live stream in the fellowship hall.
 - **I want to strongly encourage people to come to the 9:00 am worship service.** We need about 100 people in this service to help ease social distancing seating and reduce the overflow crowd during the 11:00 service.
- During this temporary new normal, you may not be able to sit in your usual seat, and our ushers will help people find a seat at social distance. Every other pew will be vacant.
- **Face masks are encouraged but not required**, and are not being provided by FFBC at this time.
- Our worship services are planned to be one hour long with one hour between services. We will begin services with basic music participation, but vocalists will lead singing in both the sanctuary and fellowship hall. We hope to add a complete orchestra and choir as soon as possible.
- Our offerings can be deposited into buckets as you leave the sanctuary and fellowship hall.
- We will welcome guests but not have a meet and greet time.
- An invitation will be given at the end of each service with those responding being ushered to a counseling area.

- **A nursery will be provided only during the 11:00 am worship service for ages 0-3 yrs**, and we will not offer children's church at this time. Children and youth will sit with their parents during this time.
- **Youth Bible study will resume on Wednesday nights, May 20th at 6:00 pm** in the fellowship hall.
- Sunday school classes and discipleship groups will not meet in classrooms at this time, but they will be allowed on a scheduled basis in the fellowship hall and youth room. Classes may be scheduled throughout the week and weekends on a first come first serve basis.
- Also, church meetings can be scheduled in those two locations as well.

I am confident that we will make it through this temporary period of time worshipping separately. God knew that this would happen, and I believe that He has brought priorities back into our lives that have helped us grow in faith. I pray as we gather again that God will protect everyone who comes through the doors of the church building. I pray that the gospel will continue to spread beyond the walls of FFBC, and bring people to faith in Jesus Christ. He is the reason that we will gather again for He alone is worthy!

Blessings,

Bro. Scott