

Trinity Baptist Church Building Re-entry Plan May 2020

Trinity Baptist Church is a wonderful community of believers, who care for one another and for those we reach with the Gospel. We join with everyone in British Columbia in our support of our frontline workers and provincial medical experts. We share the same desire to protect each other from COVID-19.

As restrictions on gatherings are loosened, we encourage the restart of some face-to-face meetings. We understand that not everyone is comfortable with this yet, and we support those who may feel this way. If you do not feel ready to engage in face-to-face meetings, please continue to stay home and join us through online, digital connections.

For the protection of one another, pastors, staff, and families, while on Trinity Baptist Church property, here are guidelines we must follow.

Please Do Not Enter the Church Building or Trinity House:

- If you have any symptoms of COVID-19, including fever, chills, cough, shortness of breath, sore throat, and painful swallowing.
- If you or a family or household member are under the direction of the provincial health officer to self-isolate.
- If you have arrived from outside Canada or have been in contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19 within the last 14 days. Please self-isolate and monitor for symptoms for 14 days.

If any symptoms occur while on church property or within 72 hours of being on church property, please report immediately to the church office, church custodian, or one of the pastors. Proper cleaning protocols can be put in place immediately to ensure the building is safe for all.

Arranging Use of the Church Building

- The building may only be used after arrangement with the church office. Please do not use the building until your group has booked with the church office and received confirmation from the church office.
- Only the gym and lounge and hallway washrooms are available. The gym and lounge cannot be used at the same time.
- Please enter through the main doors by the large church parking lot and/or the doors to the hallway by the coat rack. Emergency exits from the gym and lounge remain in use – please observe where they are in case of emergency.
- To maintain strict 2m social distance, only 35 people can use the gym at any time, and only 10 can use the lounge at any time.
- The kitchen is not to be used.
- The sanctuary, Chapel, narthex (foyer), balcony, music storage room, Daycare wing, Sunday School office, nursery, rooms above the kitchen and gym storage room, library, hallway from library to narthex (foyer), and rooms in Trinity House are currently off-limits.

- No sports activities or singing are permitted at this time.
- Individuals in groups are encouraged to bring their own refreshments.
- A register of names and contact details for everyone from a group using the building must be given to the church office (email or written and posted through mailbox at Trinity House) immediately after a group meets. This is for tracing purposes in case of infection.
- The church building is not available on Thursday during the day or on Saturday or Sunday mornings. Daycare operates during the day on weekdays, which may mean that larger groups wishing to use the gym may not be able during the day.
- Please keep the time a group uses the building to a reasonable length. Remember, our custodian must sanitize all surfaces after use.

Entering and Exiting the Church Building:

- Have one person from your group open the door for others and turn on/off lights.
- Disinfect your hands using the hand sanitizer stations situated by the entrances, hallway, in washrooms.
- Use elbows to open washroom doors. Use paper towels as you leave.
- Do not allow anyone besides your group in the building.
- Please follow floor arrow markers when using the building – these are given to ensure social distance is maintained.
- Disinfect your hands using hand sanitizers as you leave.
- Please notify church office by email when the group exited the building.

While Inside the Church Building:

- 2 metre / 6 feet social distance must be maintained at all times.
- Children are welcome but must follow social distance requirements. We recommend that children remain seated while they are in the building.
- Men's washroom – only one person at a time.
- Ladies' washroom – only two people at a time.
- Please use paper towel to open washroom doors when you leave the washroom and place the paper towel in the garbage. Do not touch the door with your hands.
- Only use chairs set up. Please do not use chairs or tables from the storage rooms without prior permission.
- Please do not use gym amplification system or soundboard.

We may add more procedures as needed. Please be patient with this process; we have many vulnerable people and we want to keep everyone safe.

Thank you for your cooperation and support during these days.

Pastors and Church Board