



WESTVIEW Baptist Church

Sunday Morning RE-OPENING FAQ'S September 2020

Which services are re-opening for Sunday worship?

We are re-opening two services on Sunday mornings at 9:30am and 11:00am. The services are identical except that Sunday School will only be offered at the 11:00am service.

Do I need to pre-register?

Pre-registration is the most efficient way to attend a weekend service. Please visit www.westviewbaptistchurch.ca/news/join-us-in-person to register online, click [HERE](#). Pre-registration is available as long as we have capacity, which is limited due to physical distancing requirements. Our video outlining Westview's weekend service gathering guidelines is available on our registration site. If you are uncomfortable registering online, please contact us at connect@westviewbaptistchurch.ca or call our office at (403) 239-1114 and someone will be happy to register you.

Who can attend? Are guests welcome?

Everyone who is healthy is welcome to attend, please [pre-register](#). For the safety of everyone, we strongly encourage you to complete the online [AHS COVID-19 self-assessment](#) before you attend. If you are told to self-isolate, you cannot attend. You cannot attend if, in the past 14 days, you have had a fever, cough, sore throat, runny nose, nausea, vomiting or diarrhea, travelled outside of Canada, or had close contact without appropriate PPE with anyone who has any of the above. Those over the age of 65 years are at greater risk of developing severe reactions to COVID-19 and should exercise caution if they decide to attend In-Person services. We will continue to hold our online worship service that you can engage with on the weekends if you choose not to return at this time.

Are masks required?

All attendees including Children and Youth are required to wear a mask at all times while in our building. The only exception is our platform presenters, who will not be masked when they are on the platform. Clear plastic face shields are permitted for individuals medically unable to wear a mask. Wearing a mask protects others and

makes it a safer environment for everyone. We encourage you to join us online if you are unable to attend wearing a mask or face shield.

What are the hygiene requirements?

Everyone is asked to use hand sanitizer when they enter and leave the facility, after they use the washroom, and after they drop off their children for Sunday School. Hand sanitizer stations are available throughout the building.

How are you maintaining physical distance?

The capacity of our building is limited to ensure physical distancing can be maintained in open common areas. Ushers will seat people to maintain space between households and cohorts.

What additional cleaning are you doing?

We will be disinfecting high touch surfaces before, between and after service times.

When should I arrive?

Doors will open 15-minutes prior to the service start time to allow time to check-in yourself and your children and be seated by an usher.

What will be different about attending Westview now?

Upon arriving at the building, you will be directed towards check-in or registration.

Adults without children - If you have pre-registered, please enter through our Fireside Room doors to be checked in. If you have not pre-registered a volunteer will let you know if there is still sufficient space in the service. Then continue through the foyer to the auditorium entrance and wait to be seated by an usher. Please remain seated until the end of the service to be dismissed by an usher.

If you have children – Sunday School is available at the 11:00 am service. Please enter through the front doors of the church, for the Children & Youth registration area to check them in. Following a temperature check, Children and Youth will go directly upstairs to their classrooms. Parents then proceed through the foyer to the Auditorium and wait to be seated by an usher. Parents of young children may walk them to the appropriate classrooms and then proceed down the back staircase to the Auditorium and wait to be seated by an usher. Please remain seated until the end of the service to be dismissed by an usher.

Who can I sit with?

You may sit next to anyone in your household, as well as any members of a cohort you may belong to. Please wait to be seated by an usher.

Can I Sing?

We ask that if you please hum along with the worship leaders on the platform, to reduce the droplet spread.

Will there be time for coffee and fellowship following the service?

We will not be serving coffee and tea following the service. In addition, outside beverages are not permitted in the church building at this time. We ask that all visiting be done outside, after you have been dismissed.

What if I'm unsure about attending?

Choosing to return to in-person gatherings is a personal decision. We will continue to have an online experience that you can engage with on the weekends if you choose not to return at this time. Please use the email address care@westviewbaptistchurch.ca if you have any needs or prayer requests, emails will be forwarded to the Pastors or Elders who will contact you.

What if someone who attends is found to have COVID-19?

As you are wearing a mask and maintaining physical distance, you would not be considered a close contact and would not be required to isolate if someone who attended the same service tests positive for COVID-19. You may be contacted by Alberta Health Services to go for testing as a precautionary measure. In support of public health contact tracing we will be keeping a record of who has attended an In-Person Service. Records will be kept by the church for 2 weeks and then destroyed. Westview Baptist Church will have full ownership of these attendance lists and will only be asked to share them with AHS if a potential exposure occurs. If there is an exposure, all staff, attendees, and volunteers who were present at the time of the exposure will be notified that an exposure may have occurred. Attendance lists from the time of the exposure will be shared with Alberta Health Services for contact tracing purposes only.

If you have any other concerns not listed here, please contact us.
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