

Family, friends and visitors of Redeemer Lutheran Church, Interlochen.  
Grace and peace in the name of Jesus our Savior!

This Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup>, Redeemer will be having a soft reopening. This is what it will look like.

Following CDC guidelines, we will be doing the following things.

**First, we ask that the following groups of people not attend:**

People over 65 years old.

People that are at high risk due to health compromised conditions. (Heart disease, immune-deficiencies, etc.)

People that are sick or have a temperature.

People that have had contact with sick people.

People that have traveled recently and not quarantined for 14 days.

**For everyone else – IT IS OK TO STAY AWAY.**

Our consciences will determine when it is the right time to return to church. This decision will be different for each one of us. All decisions will be respected!

**While not required, we are allowing only 25% of church capacity at this time.**

**If you do plan to attend church these are the things that are requested of you, and you can expect to see.**

As you arrive at church, we ask that you space your cars in a way that leaves one parking spot between cars.

**Please arrive on time for the 10:30 service.**

We continue to live stream the services so it is imperative that people arrive in a timely fashion.

We ask that all people two years or older, wear face masks when entering and leaving the church. After seating, you may choose to wear or not wear facemasks during service. During communion we ask that people wear their masks while approaching and leaving the alter after receiving communion.

People with health conditions that prevent the wearing of facemasks are exempt.

We ask that everyone practice safe social distancing of at least 6 feet apart. There are taped markers on the side walk and floors through-out the church to help with social distancing.

We ask that everyone wash their hands before arriving at church. At the entrance of the church there is a sanitation station that provides hand sanitizer, facemasks and gloves if desired.

Please sanitize your hands before entering the sanctuary.

Households will enter the church and be seated one at a time.

Households will be seated at the ends of open pews. There is a 6-foot social distancing rod that can be moved to help maintain social distancing while seated. This rod can be moved to vary the numbers of people sitting in a pew. (This will make more sense when you see it.)

There will be no bulletins or passed offering plates. An offering plate will be provided at the entry of the church.

Communion will be walk through only. Households will be ushered up one at a time. The pastors will serve communion while wearing facemasks and gloves. Only the individual cups will be used. No common cup.

After the service households will be ushered out individually. During this time, feel free to talk while maintain social distancing. Please to not touch, hug, or shake hands.

We ask that this fellowship be kept to a minimum and that after exiting the church households would leave immediately. We do not want to offend our neighbors that will be watching us gather. If you must fellowship, we ask that you not do it in the church's parking lot. Go somewhere else. This will help diminish our liability should someone get infected with the Covid-19 virus at church.

That is the whole point of this. We want to keep everyone safe. Churches are opening and we have an opportunity to show how it can be done safely.

The Church will be deep cleaned and sanitized after each service!

We look forward worshipping with you in-person.

In Christ,

Pastors, Mark and Jason