

High Point Church Sunday reopening plan

As you may have heard announced on Sunday morning the last two weeks, we will reopen our church building for our 9am worship service starting on Sunday, June 28. This is a day we have been looking forward to for some time, and we are grateful and excited to be together again, even at a limited capacity.

This message will outline our plan to gather on Sunday mornings in person, but before we do so, we want to emphasize that we respect your convictions and acts of conscience in all phases of the COVID-19 pandemic and reopening. To that end, here are three ways that we encourage you to participate in worship on a Sunday morning:

- Continue watching the livestream service with your small group, family or friends. Remember to social distance. Here are some additional ideas for engaging with the worship service with your group: <https://youtu.be/i6Pn1xhNueM>.
- Continue watching the livestream service on your own if you are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms, have tested positively for COVID-19, were exposed to someone exposed to COVID-19 within the past 14 days, or are in a high-risk group.
- Participate in our in-person service on Sunday morning, as outlined below.

In-person service plan

Sign up to attend the service

In order to manage our gathering capacity according to the Forward Dane plan, you will sign up **beforehand** online for each service you plan to attend. This will allow us to know once we have reached capacity and will also allow us to contact you if we learn of a COVID-19 case in the church building. Please sign up for two weeks per month, so that everyone who would like to participate in the in-person service is provided the opportunity. If you have children, you will also be required to sign them up. We will explain more about what to expect for KidsMin below.

To sign up for a service, please visit highpointchurch.org/sundaysignup.

What to expect on Sunday morning

We will have one 9 a.m. service that will be both in-person and live streamed. Though now also in person, the service will continue to be similar in format to how the live-streamed services have been.

We have policies and procedures in place to ensure your health and safety as much as possible during your time in the High Point Church building. Here's what to expect:

- Everyone will enter through the front doors. If you have reserved space for young children, please see KidsMin procedures below.
- All Connections volunteers will be wearing masks.
- Face masks are recommended, so please wear one if you would like to, but we are not requiring attendees to wear face masks. The balcony will be a “masks only” area if you would like to only be around others wearing masks.
- To facilitate physical distancing of six feet, we are closing every other pew. Family units do not need to space amongst themselves, but please leave six feet between you and the next family unit. Everyone who signed up will get a seat. If we run out of space in the sanctuary, there will be additional seating in the Micah center.
- Kitchens will not be available. There will be no food or drink, including water fountains, available before or during service. You are welcome to bring your own covered travel mug or water bottle.
- We have a thorough cleaning and disinfecting routine for the entire building, and hand sanitizer will be available throughout. Side hallway bathrooms will be available and will have attendants to assist with spacing and cleaning.
- Before and after the worship service, please talk with others and fellowship outside of the building. Even if you don’t stick around outside High Point Church, we encourage you to invite others to spend time together after the service in some way.

To help our community stay healthy, please stay home if you have any symptoms of COVID-19, including a fever, cough, or shortness of breath. Individuals exhibiting these symptoms will be sent home. Please also stay home if you have been around somebody who has tested positive for COVID-19 within the past 14 days, or if you have travelled internationally within the past 14 days. If you are diagnosed with COVID-19 within 14 days of attending a service at High Point Church, please let us know immediately by contacting Brandon Ellis at bellis@highpointchurch.org.

KidsMin

KidsMin will be open for nursery and for early childhood up to age three, with limited capacity. To sign up for childcare for ages three and younger, please visit highpointchurch.org/sundaysignup. Once all spaces are taken, the sign-up will be locked.

Children ages four and older will sit with their families during service. Kids Celebration will still be available online on our [YouTube channel](#).

Here’s what to expect:

- When dropping off your children on Sunday morning, please enter the church building through the High Point Christian school doors.
- There will be masked volunteers to assist with check-in and answer any questions.

- All KidsMin volunteers will be temperature-checked and asked health questions before serving in the classrooms but *will not be required* to wear masks due to the developmental needs of young children.
- Parents should bring their children's supplies in labeled, one-gallon Ziploc bags.
- KidsMin bathrooms in the classroom hallway will be closed, so children will use the bathrooms in their classrooms.
- For those with fussy babies or squirmy children in service, the cry room and nursing mother room will be open. Only one family will be allowed in each room at one time, so please be aware of others' who might also need to use the room.

We look forward to the joy of gathering again on Sunday. We hope to see you soon.