

Immanuel Lutheran Church, Courtland, MN

Protocol for Public Worship during COVID-19, beginning 6/6/20

- Those who are ill are asked to stay home. We plan to continue to put our services on line each week.
- Those in attendance are required to wear face masks.
- Worship occupancy is limited to 25% capacity, which means 70 in the sanctuary and 25 in the fellowship hall.
- Please enter the front (South) door and exit the side (West) door.
- Hymnals and Bibles have been removed from the pews.
- Social Distancing of 6 feet needs to be practiced between those not of the same household family.
- Thus, every other pew will be labeled, "*Don't use this pew.*"
- The drinking fountain will be covered up.
- Please use the restroom sparingly.
- Offerings will be placed in an offering box in the narthex.
- No food will be served.
- **For communion**, we will use a continuous line with families separated by 6 feet. Those serving communion will first sanitize their hands and will wear masks and gloves. Please extend your hand to receive the wafer and carefully take the individual cup as it is offered. The chalice will not be used at this time.
- Symptoms of the virus can include: fever, cough, shortness of breath, chills, headache, muscle pain, sore throat, and loss of taste or smell. If in doubt, please don't come, but be tested.
- The church will be sanitized after each service. Hand sanitizer will also be available in the entryway.
- Singing is being discouraged. No choirs will sing. We still plan to sing, but the number of hymns and stanzas will be shortened.
- We will not be touching others or shaking hands at this time.
- The elders and pastor are in charge of seeing that these protocol guidelines are followed.