In-Person Church – Summer 2021

What will it look like?

The indoor gathering will look the same as it did when we gathered in person last fall. See our previous "what to expect" <u>here</u>.

When we gather outdoors as we do indoors we are meeting on Diocesan land and have agreed to abide by their Public Health guidelines as we do so. This will mean that we sadly won't be able to sing together - that joy will have to wait a little longer. Masks must be worn as we are moving around. We can feel free to remove them once we find our places, distanced on the lawn. We would ask that you bring outdoor chairs or blankets for your use and comfort. The outdoor space will function in a way like an overflow worship space. The sound, and the video will be broadcast. At communion one of the ministers will come out to serve the Eucharist in one kind to the worshippers as well as to the youth and children. It is our plan to increase the current frequency of communion so that we may once more return to receiving the Eucharist regularly.

It will be such a joy to see one another again, join our voices in liturgical praise, and receive the nourishment of the Eucharist.

How do I get on an invite list?

As we need to provide accurate contact tracing we are required to use Eventbrite to "ticket" our worship gathering.

We understand that not everyone is yet willing or feeling comfortable to return to in-person worship. If you are ready, we would encourage you to fill out the following very brief survey so that we might assess the proportion of our community that at this juncture is desirous to return to worship in this way. Filling out the survey will get your name on the invite list. It will also give us a sense of the numbers for concurrent Children and Campaigner Youth Ministries so that we can plan accordingly.

Once we have that list, if need be, and as we did in the fall we will split the list up in such a way that everyone who is invited will be guaranteed a spot. An invite will be sent out on the Monday. There will be four kinds of tickets: approx. 30 for inside seating; approx 40-50 for outside seating; 11 for Children's Ministry and 15 for Campaigner Youth Ministry. Should any of the tickets not be taken by Thursday at noon they will be released to the rest of the invite list on a first come, first served basis.

What happens in inclement weather?

There is certainly the possibility that we will have to forgo the outdoor gathering should rain be forecast. We would endeavor to make an educated decision by Friday afternoon or Saturday so that you can make alternate arrangements.

As you know, our building holds heat making the summer months feel warmer inside than out. We purchased a large fan last year to aid in comfort and air movement. At present we cannot move air around the space with fans due to Covid-19's airborne nature - so please be aware of this as you choose whether to take an indoor or an outdoor spot. Drop off/pick-up locations for Children and Youth would remain the same: children at the Little T House, youth at the Annex back door.

What is the plan going forward?

If the need is present and volunteer resources allow, we will look to chart a course toward a return to our three worship services on a Sunday.

When the province moves into phase 2 of reopening we are able to accommodate 25% capacity and phase three is yet to be determined.

If you have any further questions, email Gae at <u>admin@littletrinity.org</u>. The survey can also be found on the front page of our website – littletrinity.org.