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**Concordia Lutheran Church
Protocols for Beginning Limited Public Worship Service (no Sunday School or Bible Studies at this time)
June 28, 2020**

The following precautionary measures will be put in place.

- The Fellowship Room, kitchen, Sunday School rooms, Courtyard Room and the nursery will be closed off. The only open spaces will be the women and men's restrooms, the Narthex and the Sanctuary.
- The parking lot doors will be the only entrance into and out of the church. Abiding by the rules of social distancing (6 feet), we kindly request that you proceed to the Sanctuary once you enter the church and leave promptly after the service is over. Please do not greet others with touching.
- Hand sanitizer stations (2) will be available upon entering/leaving the church and upon entering/leaving the Sanctuary.
- Pews will be designated as "open seating". People cannot sit closer than 6 feet (unless they are members of the same household living together).
- All hymnals, special offering envelopes and the Rite of Friendship pads will be removed from the pews. The Orders of Service will be printed on paper and placed on the Sanctuary table.
- **Communion:**
 - The railing will not be used at this time.
 - Pastor and the assistant will stand behind a line at the front of the church, using gloves and masks as they distribute communion.
 - Parishioners will be ushered up one side at a time, three at the maximum waiting in line.
 - Upon receiving communion, they will deposit the cup and return to their seat.
- Collection plates will not be passed person to person. There will be a box on the Sanctuary table where your offering can be placed as you leave worship.

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- One usher will usher parishioners out of the pews, standing 1 to 2 pews behind the one being ushered out.
- People must wear face masks.
- The open spaces will be thoroughly sanitized before each service.
- Continue to follow normal safe practices, e.g. wash your hands often, cough or sneeze into a shirtsleeve, handkerchief or tissue, avoid touching the eyes, nose and mouth.
- **Lastly, no one is obligated to come if they do not feel safe. In addition, anyone showing any symptoms of sickness, or anyone who has a household member who is sick or showing symptoms of sickness should not attend.**