

Delta Presbyterian – Faith Lutheran Church COVID-19 Mitigation Plan (Revised)

This revised mitigation plan, approved by the Session and Council on February 14, 2021 follows mandates and guidelines established by the State of Alaska, Presbytery of the Yukon, and the Alaska Synod. It is intended to allow in-church worship while mitigating the risk of COVID-19 transmission for our safety. We realize that individuals have varying perspectives on the appropriate response to the ongoing situation. It is our duty and responsibility to show our Christian love for one another by making these important, temporary changes in our worship habits.

Communication: This plan will be communicated to all interested parties by email, upon entering church for worship services (located by the door), and by posting it on the website. All will be expected to abide by the following guidelines:

COVID-19: Any person with symptoms consistent with COVID-19 or any flu-like symptoms may not enter the premises.

Occupancy and Distancing: Six-foot distancing will be observed by all non-household members. To maintain appropriate distancing, seating will only be in areas designated by placement of the seating placards. The sanctuary will accommodate 20 - 30 congregants depending on household or individual status.

Face Coverings: Face coverings must be worn by everyone entering and exiting the church, during singing, and by those responsible for recording offerings.

Entrance and Exiting: When entering the building, please do not congregate at the door but move to a designated seat. Please exit without congregating at the entrance.

Sanitizing: Hand sanitizer and disinfecting wipes are recommended for all entering the church and are available at the entrance to the sanctuary. For tracking purposes, the administrative assistant will keep a record of attendees for each service.

Singing, Communal Prayers and Readings: To mitigate droplet projection (aerosol), singing, communal prayers and readings will be done while seated, wearing a face covering. Worship leaders may stand, unmasked, a minimum of 15' from congregants.

Food and Faith Fellowship: The downstairs will continue to be off limits except for restroom use, AA meetings, Sunday School, and special low number events.

Sharing of the Peace: We will "Share the Peace" without touching or leaving seating areas.

Tithes and Offerings: Please place tithes and offerings directly into the collection plate located at the rear of the sanctuary.

Bulletins: Bulletins will be placed in the display rack at the entrance by Friday; hymnals and *Now the Feast* materials will not be used. Used bulletins will be taken home or put in trash receptacles.

Communion: Normal communion with enhanced sanitation procedures is now available with prepacked communion cups for those desired to take communion in the pews.

Zoom Services will continue for all who wish to join worship services from home.