

Conditional In-person worship due to the Omicron variant of Covid-19

Goal: THAT OUR CHURCH BE A SAFE PLACE FOR ALL PEOPLE.
(To the best of our ability)

Circumstances:

The Omicron variant is the most contagious variant yet
It is transmitted and received by respiratory functions
We are in a time of rapid increase, with a peak expected to be reached by
the end of January
Our medical facilities are maximized to the point of limited medical care
and resources available
Our worshipping congregation could become a “hot spot” for transmission

Recommendations

Masks are required. Surgical Masks and N95 Masks highly recommended in
order addressing transmission and reception of the virus

That the order of worship not include the Holy Communion for this
abbreviated time

That worshippers sing softly so as to limit respiratory projection

That we observe social distancing in the nave during worship

The suspension of the coffee hour following worship during this period

The offering plates will be in the narthex and not passed in the pews

It is our counsel that vulnerable and immune compromised persons
worship online in their homes

These conditions **will be reviewed** February 6th at 7pm with another
recommendation (if appropriate) to go to the February Council
meeting.

Submitted by the Reopening Action Team, January 9, 2022