



# Parklawn

Assembly of God

October 7, 2020

Greetings PAOG Family,

I pray that you are prospering according to the promise of the Lord (Psalm 1:3; 3 John 2). As we continue to trust the Lord during these unprecedented times, it's important that we remain abreast of the latest, sound news reports.

Yesterday, Department of Health Services (DHS) Secretary-designee Andrea Palm, per directive from Governor Tony Evers, issued Emergency Order #3 limiting public gatherings. This order goes into effect at 8 a.m. on Oct. 8, 2020, and will remain in effect until Nov. 6, 2020. It applies to any gatherings at locations that are open to the public such as stores, restaurants, and other businesses that allow public entry, and any spaces with ticketed events. Gatherings are limited to up to 10 people for indoor spaces such as private homes. Outdoor events are not subject to the limitations of this newest order.

**How does this effect PAOG?** Churches and other religious organizations are among a number of organizations that are exempt from gathering limitations. However, we've opted to comply with the gathering guideline of no more than 25% of the total occupancy limits for the room or building. Hence, we will continue to meet on Sundays in reduced number (100-150). We require that all Sunday Worship Service attendees register and comply with the 'rules of engagement' on Page 2 of this letter.

I urge you to continue to be responsible in your daily activity. Wear a mask, wash your hands, practice physical distancing when appropriate, exercise, drink water, rest, and get tested if you have symptoms or have been exposed to COVID-19. Pray and speak the Word of God over your life. All that I've mentioned is important to good health and safety. Caring for yourself in this manner and caring for others goes hand-in-hand. By God's grace, we can do this!

Please contact the church office with questions or concerns, 414-442-7411.

Grace and peace,

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Senior Pastor



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If you plan to return to the sanctuary during the month of October, please review the following “rules of engagement”.

1. *Return to the church free of COVID-19 symptoms. Self-quarantine if you’ve recently been in large crowds or knowingly have been in contact with someone with COVID symptoms. Call the church to have a member of the altar care team or a leader reach out to you with love and prayer.*
2. *Register through Eventbrite to reserve your seat(s). Please obey the ushers.*
3. *Participate in temperature/health screening upon building entry.*
4. *Wear a mask.*
5. *Follow seating directions of ushers.*
6. *Observe 6 feet of physical/social distancing.*
7. *Comply with all signage and markings posted throughout the building, including restrooms.*
8. *Attendees must leave immediately after service and only socialize on the parking lot if desired.*

**Special Note: Parklawn Assembly of God (PAOG)** cannot prevent any member from becoming exposed to, contracting, or spreading COVID19 while participating in church services on the premises. It is not possible to prevent against the presence of the disease. Therefore, if you choose to participate in the services and/or enter **PAOG** premises, you may be exposing yourself to and/or increasing your risk of contracting or spreading COVID19. Given the facts noted above, **PAOG** is taking great measures to ensure that we minimize the risk of spreading COVID19, utilizing the Center for Disease Control (CDC) Guidelines. We have also consulted with the local City of Milwaukee Public Health Officials on best practices for operations such as ours. With that said, it is imperative that each member follows the procedural guidelines set forth by the PAOG Pastor and Leadership Team. Failure to follow posted guidelines and procedures may result in you being asked to leave the premises. We care too much to allow anyone to be placed at risk any further than the uncertainty that already exist. Thanks very much for your cooperation.