



Parklawn

Assembly of God

August 26, 2021

Greetings PAOG Family,

The faithfulness of the Lord is awe-inspiring isn't it? Each day I stand amazed when I consider all the wonderful things He has done for me, my family, and Parklawn. I pray that you too have that testimony.

I appreciate your cooperation and partnership with me and the church staff as we've all had to move forward in life amid the COVID-19 pandemic. You've listened and adapted well. As a result, we are still on mission!

As you know, the city's COVID Health Order and mask rule expired on June 1, 2021. At that time Parklawn no longer required masks or face shields for all staff, members and guests. My advisement was that staff, members, and guests were welcome to wear masks or face shields, if desired, based on their comfort levels and needs. We encouraged members to wear wristbands to communicate physical distance comfort levels. We also provided sections in the sanctuary for persons who prefer to physically distance while attending service.

In recent weeks, reports of the Delta variant and its transmissible nature have drawn lots of attention. I am aware of the growing concern. My team and I will continue to be watchful and consider national and local guidance. We'll also observe and promote God's promises of divine health (3 John 2) and protection from deadly disease (Deut. 7:15; Ps. 91:3,7,10).

Current practices for the Sunday worship experience will remain. See below:

1. Masks and face shields are strongly encouraged for all, regardless of vaccination status, but not required for entry.
2. Members and guests are encouraged to wear wristbands to indicate their physical distance comfort levels.
3. Sections in the sanctuary will be reserved for persons who want to attend service, but prefer to physically distance. Those sections are:
 1. Section 500
 2. Section 800
 3. Section 900 (Balcony)
 4. Section 1200 (Balcony)

Note: All interested persons must register for these sections through Eventbrite.

4. Sunday Worship Service will continue to be streamed live via Facebook for those who prefer the online experience.



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Key Reminders:

1. If you or a member of your household are feeling unwell or awaiting the results of a COVID-19 test, please do not come to service.
 - a. If results are negative, you may return to service as normal.
 - b. If results are positive, quarantine at home as you recover. If you're willing, share with our pastoral and elder team for prayer (James 5:14).
 - c. If you test positive and have recently attended a service or been among PAOG staff members, please notify the church office so persons possibly exposed can be properly informed.
2. Members and guests are still encouraged to self-quarantine if exposed to persons outside of PAOG that have tested positive for COVID-19 or any of its variants if they are experiencing symptoms.
3. Current cleaning and sanitizing practices will continue as a safely precaution.

In closing, be encouraged and keep on praying! (1 Thess. 5:17) God is still God. And, He is still good, even in a pandemic. We look forward to seeing you again in the days ahead. If you have questions or feedback, please contact the church office at 414-442-7411 or email at info@parklawnag.org.

Still believing,

Marcus L. Arrington, Ed.D.
Senior Pastor

Special Note: *Parklawn Assembly of God (PAOG) cannot prevent any member from becoming exposed to, contracting, or spreading COVID19 or its variants 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 Senior 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 exists. Thanks very much for your cooperation.*