

## RVBC Plan to Return to In-Person Worship Services

We are very excited to announce that we will begin in person worship services on **Sunday May 24**. While this is great news, we want you to know that if you and your family are still not ready to return to church or have health issues that cause additional concerns, please know that we support you! We know that you would be one of the first in the doors when we re-enter the church but do what you feel is best for you and your family. We will continue to minister to you and provide sermons on the church website or bring you cd copies.

After reviewing guidelines for having in person worship services from state officials, the CDC, and recommendations from the KBC and SBC, here is the temporary plan developed by our church leaders.

1. We will have **one** worship service at **10:00 AM in the GYM**. Why in the gym and why at 10:00 AM? The gym allows us to follow the guidelines for social distancing and cleaning requirements more effectively. The 10:00 AM is a compromise for those who normally attend either the 8:30 AM or 11:00 AM service. This way we all compromise and demonstrate love for each other.
2. You may park in the parking lot, but also consider parking in the grass next to the gym. We will have the side gym door open which will be a great way to drop off someone and then park in the grass. This will provide easy access for the entire church family.
3. Household families should sit together but those not living in the same household must sit 6 feet apart per CDC guidelines.
4. At this time, there will be no Sunday School, Children's Church, nursery, Wednesday or Sunday evening services. Some of these are meeting on-line and will continue to do so for now. We will begin these in the near future as things change and when the state governing officials allow daycares/schools to re-open.
5. Mask are being encouraged by state officials, but we will not require you to wear one. It is totally up to each individual as we understand some cannot wear them for health or personal reasons. If you can wear one, please consider others more than your personal comfort.
6. We are encouraging everyone to take their temperature before you come to church. Use the CDC guidelines regarding what is considered a high temperature and please stay home if you are sick.
7. We also encourage you to use the restroom before you come. We will have access to the church restrooms but are required to only allow one person at a time in each restroom.
8. I know this will be difficult for our church family, but to be as "touchless" as possible we need to refrain from handshakes or hugs.

I have missed seeing each of you and being together to worship our Lord! While I am excited about being together again, we must do everything we can to make it safe for people to gather. Therefore, please understand that things at church will be different for a season. While fully understanding that we will not be perfect in this, we are working hard to "render unto Caesar what is Caesar's and unto God what is God's" and to "love your neighbor as yourself". Your church family leaders appreciate your prayers and patience. I hope to see you soon!

All for His Glory,

Pastor Chad