

## **OUTDOOR WORSHIP IN THE PARKING LOT OF ENGLISH LUTHERAN** **SUNDAYS at 8:30 & 10 AM, beginning Sunday, July 19\*\***

\*\* Unless cancelled due to a spike in COVID-19 cases

### **If you plan to attend our outdoor worship, you should know:**

**UNDERLYING CONDITION OR OVER AGE 65?** If you are at-risk for COVID-19 (65 years-old or older or have an underlying condition) please consider staying home for your own safety.

**FEELING ILL?** If you feel ill or have symptoms similar to COVID-19, PLEASE STAY HOME.

**MASKS:** We **strongly encourage** everyone to please wear a mask at the service. (Exceptions can be made for those with a medical condition like asthma or anxiety associated with wearing a mask and those under age 2.) Remember, it's not about protecting yourself so much as it is about showing love to your neighbor by protecting them from your breathing/coughing/sneezing if you are an asymptomatic carrier of COVID. Please bring your own mask. We will have a limited supply for those who don't have one.

**CHAIRS:** Please bring your own chair, if possible, to reduce the sanitizing we have to do after worship. We will have a limited supply of folding chairs for those who don't have one or can't physically bring their own.

**PHYSICAL DISTANCING:** Please come only with those who live in your household and sit together as a household AT LEAST 6 feet from any other household and AT LEAST 15 feet from the worship leaders in the front. Follow instructions from our ushers on where to sit. Also, please keep at least 6 feet away from other households at all times when not seated- we know you want to hug and shake hands, but we simply can't take the risk at this time. There will intentionally be no hospitality time or receiving line. We kindly ask you to head home as soon as the service is over.

**50 PERSON LIMIT:** We will limit attendance to 50 people per Pierce County Health guidance. If attendance is high, we will add a service or take reservations for future services.

**OFFERING:** There will be an offering basket between where you park your car and the seating area in the parking lot. Of course, you can always give electronically online as well.

**SINGING:** There will be no singing as singing has been identified as a highly risky activity due to the aerosols it creates. Music will be instrumental or "special" pre-recorded singing. You may hum along if you wish!

**COMMUNION:** We will not be offering communion initially. If the first few weeks of outdoor worship go well, we may provide communion at a later date with many safety precautions.

**WEATHER:** We will hold the outdoor service unless there is severe weather or rain heavier than a mist. If we have to cancel, online worship will still be available. Check our website, Facebook or our church voicemail after 9 pm Saturday to see if worship has been cancelled.

**CONTACT TRACING:** We will be collecting contact info and seating locations of worshippers for contact tracing in case someone at our services, later tests positive with COVID-19.