

The Reopening Task Force is revising certain requirements for outdoor worship, based on the safety that outdoor spaces offer, and our previous experience with worship outdoors.

Going forward, worshipers will not need to preregister for outdoor worship, since we no longer require a list for contact tracing, and there is ample space outside to accommodate worshipers. Singing is now encouraged, and we will begin welcoming worshipers to participate as worship leaders and musicians in the service as appropriate. Masks and a minimum of 6 feet of spacing are still required.

Inclement weather information will be available at our website by 9 a.m. Sunday. If the weather is uncertain, a message will indicate whether worship is being moved to the front parking lot where people can participate from their cars, or cancelled.

The Reopening Task Force continues to monitor infection rates and the impact of immunization and variants, as well as guidance from the New England Synod and CDC, as they consider other possibilities for gathering as in-person ministries beyond worship resume at St. Matthew.