

It has been more than ten weeks since we have been able to meet inside our building for services at JSBC. We have been blessed to be able to have online services as well as drive-in services. However, nothing takes the place of meeting together in person to worship the Lord. Thankfully, we will be doing that very soon! We plan to open the building of JSBC back up on June 14th. This will be a soft opening. Our services will look a little differently than they normally do. We will be limited, to some degree, in how we function as a church during worship services. These limitations are for your benefit. As we transition back to normal services we want to make sure we do it in a smart and safe manner. We are listening to government officials as well as taking note of what the CDC is telling us concerning this virus. The guidelines concerning the reopening of churches have been studied and applied to the reopening of JSBC.

First, I would like you to know how we are doing our best to make sure you are safe.

1. We have removed all Bibles, hymnbooks, envelopes and pens from the pews. This is obviously temporary. Removing these items makes it easier for us to clean the sanctuary and ensures that the virus cannot be passed from these particular items.
2. We have cleaned our sanctuary well. After each service the sanctuary will be disinfected.
3. We have placed hand sanitizer stations in the church. If you do not have your own hand sanitizer, use these stations as you enter the sanctuary and as you leave.
4. Doors will be propped open for you. You will not have to touch any door handles to enter or leave.
5. Every other pew has been roped off to ensure social distancing.
6. Households will be seated at least six feet from one another.
7. We are not passing out bulletins. Again, this limits person to person contact.
8. We are not passing the offering plate. The plates will be stationed at the doors of the sanctuary. You may place your offering in them as you enter or as you leave. Online giving is also available.
9. We will not have children's church, nursery or Sunday School on June 14th. We will resume Sunday School on June 21 and hope to resume the other ministries very soon.
10. We will dismiss row by row in an orderly fashion.
11. At the present time we will only have Sunday morning and Wednesday evening services. Sunday night services will continue to be held online. The reasoning for this is we need time to clean and disinfect the sanctuary before we meet in it again. We hope to resume Sunday evening in house services very soon
12. All services will be available live on line for those who do not feel comfortable attending as of yet.

Second, I want you know how you can do your best to help us during this time. Please follow the instructions listed to ensure that our services are safe and orderly.

1. If you have any symptoms of sickness, please stay home.
2. If you believe you are in the category of "at risk" please stay home.

3. If you feel comfortable wearing a mask, wear one. Masks are not required. We encourage everyone to do what is best for them.
4. Do not congregate in the hallways. When you arrive at the church immediately enter the sanctuary and sit down.
5. Do not hug, shake hands, touch or stand within six feet of someone who is not in your household. It is important to respect the space of others.
6. When church is dismissed wait until your row is released before you exit the sanctuary.
7. Please limit the use of the restroom. Restrooms will be available but please use them only if absolutely necessary.
8. Please listen to all instructions given by the leadership of the church in regards to seating and social distancing.

The leadership of JSBC have done our best to make sure our worship services are both safe and enjoyable. As you cooperate with us, we know that the joy of the Lord will fill our hearts as we gather for corporate worship once again. I am excited and I know you are as well!

Pastor Kyle