

Rappahannock Charge United Methodist Church



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Dear RappUMC Family,

Grace and peace be with you! I wanted to share the good news with you that we will be opening all three churches at their normal times this Sunday, July 12, 2020. Please know that adequate time has been taken in cleaning and preparing each space. These thorough cleaning procedures will continue to take place weekly to ensure the safety of all people who enter our sanctuaries. We will also be taking precautions during the service which includes the following guidelines put forth by Bishop Sharma Lewis:

- If you are sick, stay home.
- You must bring a Health Acknowledgement Form with you to worship. **This form must be turned in for you to attend worship.** Pastor Jessie will have extra copies available.
- Children are allowed to attend worship only if they wear a face mask.
- Facemasks will be required in worship at all times. All churches will have face masks available to those who do not have one.
- Six feet of social distancing is required between families.
- There will be no congregational singing.
- There will be no in-person communion. Congregation members will be given packaged communion to take home, but it will be blessed in church.
- There will be no paper bulletin and all paper materials will be removed from the pews.
- There will be no passing of the peace or fellowship time.
- Offering will be done by drop off only and the plates will not be passed. People are encouraged to continue to mail their offering to our church treasurers.

I understand many are still not ready to come back to worship. I will continue to send sermons to those who are not online and will start recording the audio of sermons each Sunday to post online. From this point forward we will not be recording in person worship. Pastor Jessie will continue to provide live opportunities to connect virtually through the weekly prayer call and other creative endeavors. May God continue to lead us forward with hope.

God bless,

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