

Hallelujah! St. John's Re-Opening in August!

We will return to in person worship on Sunday, August 1st at 10:30 a.m. In making this decision, council considered: advice from our Re-opening Taskforce, provincial opening phases and increased numbers allowed for religious gatherings, (for us: 30 now allowed) and increasing vaccination of members and the community. Also, Pastor Norine will be back from vacation by this time.

Here are the guidelines we will be following:

- Sign-in upon entry.
- No screening other than self-screening given our common knowledge of COVID symptoms and community restrictions and practices. Do stay home if you have health doubts or concerns.
- Hand sanitizing and mask wearing in place.
- Verbal participation in worship permitted (prayers, responses, Apostle's Creed etc.) but masks kept on.
- Singing not yet permitted.
- Exiting: by entrance, from back to front, while construction ongoing on Alicia.
- Other procedures remain in place (e.g. offering plates at entrance, modified communion, no social but safe, outside chatting possible)
- Pastor Norine has unilateral authority to stop/delay the opening should public health changes warrant this. As council does not meet July and August, we require this safety measure.

Our plan is to livestream services August 1st and for the foreseeable future afterwards. The streaming link will be e-mailed in advance of the service, and will be on the website and Facebook pages. **Services are always available afterwards using the same link.** We will continue preparing and delivering complete service text scripts in July to households without internet, but discontinue this ministry in August as we move to live service.