



Mount Pleasant

Baptist Church

May 27, 2020

Dear Mount Pleasant Family,

You have likely heard about the governor’s guidelines about wearing masks. We want to share with you where we are at this new turn in the Covid road.

- While the governor has allowed churches to re-gather at 50% capacity, we have taken extra precautions that actually make our capacity only at about 33%.
- This past Sunday, and for the Sundays ahead, we will continue to use these precautions, as well continue the three services (8:00 for the 65+ and those with a compromised immune system, 9:30, and 11:00) as well as offer online services for those who are not quite ready to be back in the building. We will also continue to use extra rooms if needed, as overflow or for anyone who is uncomfortable sitting in the large capacity space of the worship center.
- Volunteers will continue to sanitize and disinfect the worship center and other places within the building between the services on Sunday, as they successfully did this past week.
- We will continue to **strongly recommend** that those 10-years-old and over wear a mask on Sundays. Each of our pastors **will** be wearing a mask from this point forward on Sundays in the building. Pastor Joey will take his off while preaching and the praise team may take theirs off while leading in singing.

These are difficult times with difficult decisions. We realize that not everyone is going to agree with decisions that the pastors make, but we ask that you continue to pray for us as decisions must be made without any reference point in the past - we have never been down this road before. As we have prayed and sought the Lord’s guidance, we have decided that while the Scriptures do not have any mandate about whether or not to wear masks, we do have this mandate from Jesus:

“Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbor as yourself.” (Matthew 22:37-39)

Wearing a mask may not do much to protect you, but it does have the potential to protect others. This is loving your neighbor as yourself.

We love you, Mount Pleasant family, and want all of you to stay well and protected.

We are so thankful that you have been gracious and patient with us and each other during these unprecedented days. We trust that you will continue to keep your focus on Jesus and love each other faithfully even if we disagree on some of these points that are only temporary. The world is watching.

We are so grateful to the Lord for allowing us the privilege to be ...

Your Pastors

Pastor Joey

Joe Museo

Isaiah Opped

Brian

John

Dr. Andrew Buckelmann

Meeting people where they are and pointing them to Jesus

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