

Following the CDC's latest announcement regarding vaccinations and masks, the Task Force for Reopening convened via Zoom on Monday, May 24 to discuss what that means for Glenn Memorial UMC. Below are the updated COVID-19 protocols for Glenn Church through at least the summer (we will continue to update these protocols as we learn more about the virus and new guidelines are announced from the CDC).

New protocols for worship:

The Task Force for Reopening has decided to end reservations for in-person worship beginning Sunday, June 6. For THIS SUNDAY, May 30, you will still need to reserve your seats. If you plan to be a part of in-person worship, please reserve your seats [HERE](http://glennumc.org/sunday-services) (glennumc.org/sunday-services). Following this Sunday, we will ask each family to register their attendance weekly in the worship service via the attendance pad or QR virtual attendance pad. Child Care will continue to be outside on the playground and reservations are required. You can register your child for Sunday Child Care [HERE](#).

The Task Force has decided to continue to require masks while inside any building on the Glenn Memorial UMC campus. This helps us be welcoming and inclusive to each person's choice in regards to vaccinations. We hope to create an atmosphere of 'no shame, no judgement' during this time and respect each family's decision. Temperature checks will not be required, we ask that if you feel sick you will please stay home and seek medical attention should you need it.

The Task Force for Reopening has confirmed that 100% of our worship team and choir has been fully vaccinated and thus will speak and sing unmasked, but remain masked at other times, beginning June 6. With ample distance between the chancel area and the congregation, and science evolving each day, the Task Force for Reopening has determined this is a safe protocol for in-person worship.

New protocols for ministry areas/small groups:

The Task Force for Reopening has decided to allow ministry areas and small groups access to the Church School Building and the Youth and Activities Building (YAAB). Each small group will be limited to 50 people max and will be required to keep a list of those in attendance for contact tracing purposes. The Task Force has decided to continue

to require masks while inside any building on the Glenn Memorial UMC campus, each group must adhere to this protocol. No food or drink is permitted indoors at this time.

New protocols for outside organizations:

The Task Force for Reopening has decided to allow third party organizations access to the Church School Building and the Youth and Activities Building (YAAB). Each small group will be limited to 50 people max and will be required to keep a list of those in attendance for contact tracing purposes. The Task Force has decided to continue to require masks while inside any building on the Glenn Memorial UMC campus, each group must adhere to this protocol. No food or drink is permitted indoors at this time. To reserve a room, please contact Cathy Mobley, cmobley@glennumc.org, or Pam Gwinner, pgwinner@glennumc.org.

Weddings will be evaluated based on wedding party needs, and Glenn Memorial UMC hopes to work with each couple to assure their big day runs smoothly. 50% capacity in each space is allowed. The Little Chapel will hold up to 45 people (including clergy, musicians, and wedding coordinator) and the Sanctuary will hold up to 150 people. Please view our [Weddings page](http://glennumc.org/weddings) online (glennumc.org/weddings) to learn more.

Funerals will also be evaluated based on family needs. The Glenn Church clergy will work with each family to assure a successful celebration of life. Masks will be required while inside any building on the Glenn Memorial UMC campus, each group must adhere to this protocol. No food or drink is permitted indoors at this time.

Looking ahead:

Glenn Hoops is a very important ministry for Glenn Church and the community. While no official call has been made for the 2021-2022 season, the goal is to return to the gym in the Fall. Look for more information about joining the league later this Summer.

Glenn Summer Camp and the Glenn School for Young Children will continue with their planned COVID-19 protocols, including masking for all staff and children age 2 and older.

Thank you for your continued patience and understanding, and for continuing to support public health protocols.