

Dear St. Stephen's,

Bishop Reddall has given us permission to begin Phase 2. In Phase 2 we can have as many as 25 people in worship inside at a time. We will begin Phase 2 the weekend of September 12-13. We will still be adhering to the following protocols:

- 1) If anyone feels sick, they should not attend in person and should seek out testing for the virus if they have symptoms associated with the virus.
 - a. If anyone just does not feel comfortable attending in person due to rising infection rates, feel free to remain home and watch our FaceBook Live service.
- 2) Masks are required for everyone who attends in-person.
 - a. If you need one, a mask will be provided at the door.
- 3) Maintaining social distancing of 6 ft or more is absolutely necessary.
- 4) Sanitizing hands upon entry and exit of the worship space is necessary.
- 5) Attendees should avoid touching each other or touching things in the church as much as possible.
- 6) Sit in one of the designated seating spaces only -- to preserve the spacing requirements.
- 7) No singing during the service for in-person attendees.
- 8) Communion will be bread only.
 - a. Communion elements of bread and wine (wine for priest only) will already be on altar.
 - b. Follow the directions of the priest for when to come forward to receive the bread.
 - c. Remain standing, extend hand and arm fully, move to the side 6ft., lift mask, eat bread, replace mask, return to seat.
- 9) Offerings should be placed in the plate upon entry or exit from the service.
 - a. Offertory will not come forward during the service.
- 10) There cannot be any fellowship time before or after the service at the church. You are asked to please exit to the parking lot following the end of the service.

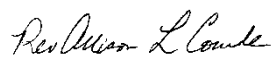
Now that we can have up to 25 people in attendance inside for worship, we do not need to have assigned worship dates. You may come to any of the following services: Saturday 5pm, Sunday 10:30am, or Wednesday 9:30am.

If Cochise County experiences a dramatic increase in infection rates, we will need to return to Phase 1.5 with only 10 or fewer allowed to attend in person for worship. At that time, your previously assigned alternating dates will once more be in effect.

As I mentioned in the past few weeks, because I will be taking a leave of absence to care for my father in his last weeks, the church will have communion on the first two weekends and Wednesdays of the month and the remainder of the month will be "Ante-Communion" – our usual service up to the peace, but excluding the communion part of the service.

Please follow the recommended precautions and protocols wherever you are and stay safe. Pray for us to come through these dangerous times together and that a treatment and vaccine will be coming soon.

Peace,
The Reverend Allison Cornell



Rector, St. Stephen's Episcopal Church