

What To Know About In-Person Sunday Services and Religious Exploration at UUFC, beginning Nov. 21, 2021

REQUIREMENTS: (approved by Board of Directors)

1. Vaccination is required. Evidence of vaccination such as a photo of an official vaccination card ([upload yours here](#)), or that of a recent negative COVID test done by a credentialed laboratory, will be required for all ages for whom vaccines are available. The final vaccination must have been administered two weeks or more before, and COVID tests must be from samples taken three days or less than, the time of proposed UUFC entry.
2. A tightly fitting mask, preferably a KN-95 or a cloth mask with three layers or with a filter, will be worn inside at all times. A face shield, scarf, bandana, or any other single-layer piece of cloth is not considered an acceptable mask.
3. Distancing will be required at all times, with the distance depending on attendee numbers, room, and activities.

BEFORE THE SERVICES:

Reservations will be required for in-person attendance. An electronic reservation form will be available each Monday by 12 PM (noon) and reservations are due by each Wednesday by 8 PM. Support for making reservations, for those unable to do so electronically, will be provided by phone. For this first week, please call the UUFC office and leave a message with your name(s), and which service you would like to attend. Please use the electronic form if you can.

People will be notified of confirmation of their reservation, at the email address they provide in the form, by Thursday at 4 PM. If maximum capacity for the two services is reached in any week, a waitlist will be started, and those on the waitlist will be given priority for attendance the following week.

SERVICES:

Entry to the building for each service will be through the Firwood /parking lot doors only. Two services will be offered in the Sanctuary, beginning at 9:30 AM and at 11 AM. Each service will be approximately 45 minutes long. The first service at 9:30 AM will be live-streamed via Zoom (and Facebook), and recorded for later viewing. The second service will not be live-streamed. RE activities and baby/toddler care will be offered only during the second service at 11 AM.

A 40-person maximum will be observed in the Sanctuary for each service, with spacing between chairs (pods can be closer together). Outdoor air will come in through windows and doors. Dress for the outdoor temperature. Congregational singing, through masks, will be allowed.

Offering baskets, and baskets for written joys and concerns will be stationary at the entrance to the Sanctuary. There will be no entrance into the Sanctuary from the Social Hall, because it is reserved for RE attendees. The Kitchen is reserved for Coffee Crew. Bathroom use will be available with the pass system used during outdoor summer services.

Nametags can be taken from the nametag board at the Firwood entrance, and returned to the information table at the outdoor coffee hour afterward.

What about newcomers, or others without reservations? Walk-ins will be allowed only with proof of vaccination, and only if there is space available. Others will be invited to stay for coffee hour outside and will be given information about how to use the reservation system.

AFTER THE SERVICES:

Socializing / coffee will take place outdoors. Exit from the service will be through the Circle Blvd doors, to the outdoor coffee hour. No food or drinks will be served or consumed indoors.

RE ACTIVITIES:

Three age groups will gather in different spaces: ages 0-4 in the nursery, K-6th grade in the social hall, Youth 7th-12th grade in Room 7. All adult guides and caregivers are required to be vaccinated and masked. All children and age 5 and up are required to be masked. Air flow in each space will be similar to in the Sanctuary. No snacks will be provided. Parents will pick up children before attending the outdoor coffee hour (so no going out and then returning into the building). Pick up will be at the door of each room.

COFFEE HOUR:

No eating or drinking will be done in the building. The coffee hour will be served outside on the front porch and patio of the Circle Blvd entrance. Tarps will be provided for some protection from rain.

OTHER BUILDING USE: (coming later)

A reservation and information form about building use will be made available to Fellowship groups by the end of November. These requests will be reviewed to make a feasible plan for the use and sharing of Fellowship rooms (fewer rooms will be available for use). Use of rooms/spaces by non-Fellowship groups (rentals) will be considered after we see how things go with Fellowship groups.