Sample Congregational Survey

*Some church leaders are checking in with their congregation to gauge readiness to return to in-person worship. Below are sample questions that can be adapted for your setting.*

At what point do you think you will feel comfortable returning to in-person worship services?
- I would go back this Sunday if I could
- I will return in July if the church decides to re-open for worship and has taken all necessary precautions to minimize our risk.
- Even if services resume in July, I will wait a few weeks before returning in person.
- I’m not comfortable returning to in-person worship for the foreseeable future.

What precautions would you like the church to take when we return to in-person services? Select all that apply.
- Limit the number of people attending any one service.
- Clearly identify socially distant seating of at least a six-foot radius per family.
- Offer hand sanitizer station at all entrances to the sanctuary.
- Offer an individual hand sanitizer to each person or family.
- Make masks available to anyone who doesn’t have their own.
- Remove offering plates, hymnals, and other shared items temporarily.
- Give special instructions for flow of people to avoid person-to-person contact.
- Shorten the length of the service to limit time that we’re in the space with others.
- Other

What signs/signals do you want to see before returning to in-person worship services? Select all that apply.
- Very small number of COVID-19 cases in our community.
- Public health officials in our area give clearance for gatherings of a similar size to what we will expect in worship.
- Most social distancing regulations have been lifted.
- Schools open or plan to be open for the 2020-2021 school year.
- Most businesses in our community open.
- Other

Have you watched our online worship service or listened in by phone?
- Yes
- No

Where did you watch or listen?
- Website
- Facebook
• Phone number

Are you likely to continue attending virtually after in-person services resume?
• Yes
• No

Which service do you typically attend?
• 9 am
• 10 am
• 11 am

If the number of people per service is limited, would you be willing to attend a service at a different day or time?
• Yes
• No
• Other

Are there children under 18 in your household?
• Yes
• No

If yes, will they attend in-person worship with you when you return?
• Yes
• No
• Other

When we gather again in person will you follow the guidelines our Health and Wellness team have put in place?
• Yes
• No
• Other

Would you be willing to serve as a volunteer at the church when we reopen for in-person worship?
• Yes
• No
• Other

When the pandemic subsides and we begin meeting regularly again, what new online ministries do you hope we continue moving forward? Select all the apply
• Online/worship
• Online small groups
• Online devotional times
• Check in calls to one another
• Collaborating with nearby/district congregations
• Other

What is your age?
• Under 18
• 18-29
• 30-39
• 40-49
• 49-50
• 50-59
• 60-69
• 70+
• I prefer not to answer

Is there anything else you would want to share with our church leadership as they plan and prepare for worshipping together in the future?