



Grace Family,

As you probably know by now, Santa Barbara County has moved us into the “Red Tier” COVID category and is allowing churches to corporately worship, in a limited way, indoors again. So, starting this Sunday, October 4th, you will have the opportunity to attend (inside) the 9:00 service. We will continue to have the 10:30 A.M. outdoors service as we have on recent Sundays. This gives us three different worship experience opportunities: inside at 9 A.M., outside at 10:30 A.M., or via the Livestream. Please read the following information:

There will be two services.

9 A.M. (indoors + Livestream)

For the time being, this is the only indoor service. We are limited by the public health restrictions to 100 people in the main sanctuary for the 9:00 service. When we reach this capacity, we will open the Chapel in the Education Building (limit 100 as well), where the Livestream will be available. We are trying to submit to the established restrictions as we understand them, so please make note of the restrictions listed below, most of which apply to the 9 A.M. indoors service.

1. There will be NO NURSERY or children’s classes during the indoor service. However, we will continue to have our “KidzTime Outside” in the playground from 9:45-10:15.
2. For at least this Sunday, there will also be no youth or adult Sunday school classes.
3. If you are at-risk, sick, *have been in contact with someone who tested positive for COVID-19 within the last two weeks*, or if you have reservations about attending, please stay home and watch the YouTube Livestream service.
4. Please be advised that anyone in the first few rows may be seen on the Livestream.
5. Please practice all the safe social distancing techniques that you know so well by now, being loving and considerate of fellow worshipers concerned with catching the virus. *The use of face coverings is still required indoors, per the Santa Barbara County Health Officer Order No. 2020-10, which went into effect on May 26; however, face coverings are not required if you meet the exceptions listed in the county order.*
6. There will be hand sanitizer stations available near the sanctuary entrances. Also, please limit your use of the bathroom during the short time of the service by planning ahead. *Per the California Department of Public Health, all water fountains will be inoperable.*

10:30 A.M. (outdoors)

We expect to continue to offer our 10:30 outdoor service for the near term.

We are excited to glorify and enjoy God together!

Grace Elders

*“Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength!
Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering and come before him!
Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.” 1 Chronicles 16:28–29*

