



COVID Guidelines on Church Gatherings at Bethel

As we continue to be in national lockdown, please do make sure you book your place via our website www.bethelcoventry.org.uk every week before attending.

Current advice from the Director of Public Health is for people gathering for religious services and in other community spaces etc to have a lateral flow test regularly and before attending. Click the link to see where you can have a test in Coventry - <https://www.coventry.gov.uk/lateralflowtesting>

Following government guidance, we are still able to gather as church together; please do ensure that you are wearing a mask indoors and try to leave as promptly as possible afterwards.

Church will look different for some time, with all the restrictions that we have had to put in place due to Coronavirus. Please bear with us as we try to make everything as accessible as possible. If you are unable to come along or feel more comfortable staying at home, then please do continue to engage with us online – everything we do will be live on Facebook. Here are the current restrictions that we have to adhere to in line with current lockdown advice from the government.

- If you feel unwell or have been in contact with anyone in the last seven days who has been unwell please stay at home and engage with the online services;
- Due to reduced capacity if you wish to come along you must book a space online or notify one of the team if you cannot access online;
- We must maintain the 2-metre distancing;
- Masks or face coverings must always be worn while inside the church building;
- There are hand sanitising stations located around the building, please make use of these regularly or use your own;
- The church will be thoroughly cleaned in between gatherings;
- Congregational singing is not allowed at this time;
- There are separate entrance and exit doors and a one-way system;

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- Refreshments will not be served;
- We do have preaching, and a worship team although singers are behind a screen.
- Chairs will be arranged in clusters of households - some 1's, 2's, 3's, 4's, 6's et al;
- Stewards will guide people to their seats;
- There will be an offering box near to the exit doors - but no baskets/plates will be 'passed round';
- The service will be somewhat shorter than we have been used to - 45-60 mins;
- All who attend will need to understand and adhere to social distancing rules;
- The service is being live streamed for those who still prefer to stay at home for the time being;
- There are personalised activity packs for children - that they can use each week and we are trying to have smaller chairs and tables for our younger children as well.

Please do speak to any of the leadership team or stewards, with your questions and ideas or comments - thank you for your understanding and patience during this difficult time!