

UUFDF Covid Policy approved September 27, 2022

B-8.1.5 Covid-19 policy for all UUFDF sponsored activities or other activities using UUFDF facilities.

This policy will follow the community level guidelines of the CDC:

- **Low and Medium levels** - Masks optional, but if you are at increased risk for Covid-19 complications, (see B-8.1.5.1), wearing a N95 mask is advised when attending indoor activities.
- **High level**– N95 masks are required for all indoor activities for all people 2 years and older. Worship service participants on the Chancel may remove their mask when speaking and will practice 6-foot distancing from other people on the Chancel when unmasked. Singing will be allowed only by the choir on the chancel while wearing singing masks.

For all Community levels:

- Well-fitting N-95 masks are the most effective method for preventing transmission of Covid-19.
- N95 masks will be available in the Sanctuary for those that arrive and wish to wear a mask.
- During Sunday services, an area in the back of the sanctuary (the mezzanine) will be maintained for those who wish to socially distance. Additionally, masks will be required in the mezzanine except for A/V staff.
- Up to date Covid vaccinations are highly recommended but not mandatory.
- The Zoom option for participation in Sunday services will be maintained for those that choose not to attend in-person for whatever reason.

B-8.1.5.1 Guidelines for personal responsibility

- N95 masks are highly recommended when attending in-person indoor activities if you are:
 - Over 65 years old
 - If you have suboptimal or no Covid vaccination
 - If you have pre-existing medical conditions: about 20 conditions are well established risk factors for severe outcomes of Covid-19
- Covid vaccinations have been shown to be highly effective in preventing serious illness or death from COVID-19. They are not effective in preventing transmission of Covid-19. It is highly recommended to be up to date with all Covid vaccines and boosters.
- If you have any symptoms of illness such as fever, aches, fatigue or upper respiratory congestion, **DO NOT COME TO CHURCH**. Get tested for Covid. If positive, isolate per CDC guidelines. If negative and symptoms persist, repeat testing in 48-72 hours. Do not engage in UUFDF in-person activities until you have 2 negative Covid Tests.
- When meeting in small groups, pay attention to the wishes of the other people in the group regarding their potential need for a higher level of Covid-19 precautions and attempt to accommodate them.

B-8.1.5.2 COVID-19 Monitoring

The UUFDF Covid-19 Advisory Team will meet as needed and alert the Board and the Minister of potential changes in Covid-19 activity that will affect the local CDC Covid-19 Community level.

Participants in any UUFDF activity must notify the UUFDF office staff with any positive COVID-19 test results within 14-days of attending an event at UUFDF.

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