

## Outdoor Worship Guidelines

- Before you get out of your car (or approach the church if you are walking from downtown), **put your mask on and wear it properly** (covering your mouth and nose). Children over the age of 2 must wear masks. There are no exceptions to the mask rule.
- Many of us have not seen each other in a long time, and though it will be difficult to maintain our distance out of our desire to embrace, we must **keep at least 6 feet of distance** between all those not in your household.
- Chairs will not be provided. **Please bring your own blanket or lawn chairs.** You may also choose to stand (the liturgy will last about 25 minutes) for the duration of the liturgy. Designated seating areas will be marked with yard flags - please only sit near a flag to ensure proper distancing.
- Please sit/stand **only near the flag markers** in the front lawn.
- Please **use the Council Street sidewalk** to enter, not the Church Street sidewalk.
- Please consider the fact that **it will still be warm outside.** If you are not able to handle being in the heat, please consider waiting until the weather cools off to attend outdoor worship. You might also want to have insect repellent with you.
- **If you have any symptoms** of COVID-19, have a reason to believe that you have been exposed to the virus within the last 2 weeks, or are awaiting test results for the virus, do not attend worship. [The symptoms of COVID-19 can be viewed by clicking here.](#)
- You will receive the blessed Body of Christ at this liturgy. It will be brought to you by the Priest where you are sitting and given to you with a Eucharistic pincer (tongs). Simply hold your hands to receive Communion as you usually would and the wafer will be dropped into your hand. Once the Priest leaves your area, you may lift your mask to consume it.
- **We ask that you please not arrive more than 5 minutes early and do not loiter afterwards for conversation.** Depending on how many people RSVP, we may add an additional worship time after the 7pm liturgy and need to have space cleared quickly so that the next liturgy will be able to finish before dark.
- **Please plan to bring your own bulletin** (either print at home, or view on your phone/tablet while you are here). A limited number of printed bulletins may be available. Bulletins can be downloaded at [www.SLS.church/bulletins.](http://www.SLS.church/bulletins)
- The **buildings will not be open** (including restrooms). Once we have a chance to established cleaning protocols, we will reconsider this policy.
- **If the weather does not look favorable,** we will email everyone who has RSVPed no later than 6pm to let you know we have canceled.
- **Please bear with us** as we add this new worship opportunity. We will learn how to improve this as we go.

*Though there are many rules/restrictions in place which are designed to keep everyone safe, these opportunities to gather will be the source of much grace and rejoicing as we come back together for worship and to receive the Eucharist.*