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Plan for Renewing In-Person Gatherings In Response to COVID-19 Pandemic

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As we enter into 2021, a COVID Response Team at First Baptist has continued to review and modify our master plan for operating during this pandemic. We have sought the advice of medical professionals in our community, leaders from around the state, and all available public health and governmental data. The following guidelines are based on what we have learned about this virus over the past months - how it is spread and who is most at-risk for infection.

We want to be clear about the deep tension we all share between the desire to be together and the desire to avoid jeopardizing the safety of our deeply-valued members. That being said, no plan is 100 percent safe and any attempt to gather will include some element of risk. We encourage each of our members to be wise in their own health choices and not expose yourself to any unnecessary danger.

As we have learned over the past months, the situation is constantly changing and we must remain flexible and adaptable in our approach. The *how* of our operations will be outlined in the attached guidelines, put together based on recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, guidelines from the State of Georgia, as well as additional research from our team.

We will also answer the “*why*” with the following reminder from scripture:

One of them, an expert in the law, tested him with this question: “Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?” Jesus replied: “Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments.”

Matthew 22: 35-40 NIV

We do not act out of fear but out of love - for God and for our neighbor. We do not want our gathering as a church to be a “hot spot” for the virus in our community.

This set of guidelines has been assembled and reviewed by a COVID Response Team of FBC Griffin, consisting of staff members Steven Norris, Seth Brown, Erin Clarke, Ellee Hilley, Sarah Murray, and Diane Lamb; Deacon Officers: Bonnie Brown, John Joiner, Gloria Williams, and Karen Sutton; additional committee chairs, Harry Burkhalter (Finance) and Harry Kierbow (Personnel); as well as select members of the medical community, Jim Dunaway, Gary Alexander, and Nicholas Bland.

This team is meeting on a weekly basis to assess three primary areas related to our church: (1) current medical information regarding the pandemic and its impact on our local medical community, (2) any incidents that have occurred within First Baptist related to COVID exposure or risk, and (3) all policies and procedures for FBC Griffin in response to our current situation.

APPENDIX 1

Guidelines for On-Campus Employees, Volunteers, and Visitors

As a community of grace, FBC Griffin implementing the following guidelines for our facilities in an effort to look out for the interests and needs of our most vulnerable members.

**Due to the inherent uncertainty of this virus, these plans are only tentative and could change based on the data and recommendations of local, state, and national health officials.*

- All employees, volunteers, and visitors to the building should observe **physical distancing** while in the building (staying 6 feet away from others when you must go into a shared space).¹
- All employees and volunteers should frequently **wash hands** or use alcohol-based hand sanitizer (at least 60% alcohol) when soap and water are not available throughout the day.⁵ Hand sanitizing stations will be placed around the building at major points of entrance and common areas for this purpose.
- When engaged with others (especially with members of the general public), employees and volunteers are **strongly** encouraged to wear a **cloth face covering**.⁵ This is also recommended (though not required) if a person is working alone in their office space.
 - FBC Griffin is a “community of grace.” As such, we understand that there may be extenuating circumstances that would prevent an employee or volunteer from wearing a mask. These include (but are not limited to):
 - ▶ Children younger than 2 years old.
 - ▶ Those who have trouble breathing or are unable to remove the mask without help.
 - ▶ Those whose health conditions prohibit wearing a face covering.
 - ▶ Those communicating with a hearing-impaired person, needing your mouth to be visible.
- Visitors to the church facility will be strongly encouraged to wear a mask while on campus. Extra masks will be available if folks do not have one available.²
- All employees and volunteers should avoid touching eyes, nose, and mouth.⁵
- Every employee should self-screen at home before coming to work. This should include the following questions: In the last 48 hours, have you had: Any cough, shortness of breath, or difficulty breathing? Fever of 100.0 or higher? Any chills, body aches, headache, sore throat or new loss of taste/smell? Visitors to the building may also be asked these questions before entrance to the building is allowed.

**Because brief exposure does not appear to be sufficient for the spread of disease, those merely dropping off or picking up items may be exempt from these screening procedures.*

If an employee or volunteer feels sick, they should stay at home.⁶ Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. The following are common symptoms of COVID-19:^{3, 5}

- Fever or chills (over 100)
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

- If, at any time, an employee or volunteer tests positive for COVID-19, they should immediately contact their direct supervisor (Leigh Ann Williams or Steven Norris). Employees and volunteers that have tested positive for COVID-19 should then follow the guidelines for quarantine from the CDC or a medical professional (these guidelines are individualized and based on a person's unique symptoms).⁵
- If an employee has been in close contact* with someone who has tested positive for COVID, they should quarantine for a minimum of seven days followed by a negative COVID test (or a minimum of ten days without testing).

**Close contact is defined by CDC as someone who was within within 6 feet of someone who has COVID-19 for a total of 15 minutes or more; you provided care at home to someone who is sick with COVID-19; you had direct physical contact with the person (hugged or kissed them); you shared eating or drinking utensils; or they sneezed, coughed, or somehow got respiratory droplets on you.*

- Employees should help the custodial staff to clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces. This includes, but is not limited to the following:⁵
 - tables
 - desks
 - toilets
 - doorknobs
 - phones
 - faucets and sinks
 - light switches
 - keyboards
 - touch screens
 - countertops
 - photocopy machine
 - handles

**Proper protective equipment should be used in cleaning these spaces (mask, gloves, etc.) as well as the designated disinfectant/cleaner.*

- Using office equipment of other staff members is strongly discouraged (phones, desks, offices, etc.).⁵
- Whenever possible, we will continue to use virtual meetings for the staff. If in-person meetings are necessary (example: counting team), they should be conducted in a space that will allow for social distancing. The meeting space should be immediately wiped down and thoroughly disinfected following the meeting.^{5, 6}

- If an employee feels uncomfortable working in the office due to any condition that would cause the employee or a member of their household to be at a higher-risk for infection, they should contact their supervisor (Leigh Ann Williams or Steven Norris) to make arrangements to work from from home (if possible).
- FBC will place signs encouraging physical distancing, proper hygiene, proper use of face coverings, and other related educational information throughout the building.^{4, 5}

¹ “Reopening Guidance for Cleaning and Disinfecting Public Spaces, Workplaces, Businesses, Schools, and Homes,” *Centers for Disease Control and Prevention*, <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/reopen-guidance.html>

² Governor Brian Kemp, Executive Order: “Reviving a Healthy Georgia,” May 12, 2020, <https://gov.georgia.gov/document/2020-executive-order/05122002/download>

³ “Symptoms for Corona Virus,” *Centers for Disease Control and Prevention*, <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html>

APPENDIX 2

Guidelines for Small Groups

As we resume Sunday school and small groups throughout the week, we encourage our various groups to use caution and judgment in their meetings. We would ask groups to use the following guidelines for all group meetings.

- All visitors to the building should observe physical distancing while in the building (staying 6 feet away from others when you must go into a shared space).⁴
- All group members should frequently wash hands or use alcohol-based hand sanitizer (at least 60% alcohol) when soap and water are not available.⁵
- When on campus, all guests are strongly encouraged to wear a cloth face covering.^{8, 5} FBC is a “community of grace.” As such, we understand that there may be extenuating circumstances that would prevent someone from wearing a mask. These include (but are not limited to):
 - Those who have trouble breathing or are unable to remove the mask without help.
 - Those whose health conditions prohibit wearing a face covering.
 - Those communicating with a hearing-impaired person, needing their mouth to be visible.
- All visitors to the church facilities should avoid touching eyes, nose, and mouth.⁸
- Every group member should self-screen at home before coming to a gathering. This should include the following questions: In the last 48 hours, have you had: Any cough, shortness of breath, or difficulty breathing? Fever of 100.0 or higher? Any chills, body aches, headache, sore throat or new loss of taste/smell?

If you feel sick, please stay at home.⁵ Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. The following are common symptoms of COVID-19:^{8, 6}

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| - Fever or chills (over 100) | - Headache |
| - Cough | - New loss of taste or smell |
| - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing | - Sore throat |
| - Fatigue | - Congestion or runny nose |
| - Muscle or body aches | - Nausea or vomiting |
| | - Diarrhea |
- If, at any time, a group member tests positive for COVID-19, they should immediately contact their group leader who should also contact Rev. Steven Norris. Those individuals should then follow the guidelines for quarantine from the CDC or a medical professional (these guidelines are individualized and based on a person’s unique symptoms).
 - If a group member has been in close contact* with someone who has tested positive for COVID, they should quarantine for a minimum of seven days followed by a negative COVID test (or a minimum of ten days without testing).

**Close contact is defined by CDC as someone who was within within 6 feet of someone who has COVID-19 for a total of 15 minutes or more; you provided care at home to someone who is sick with COVID-19; you had direct physical contact with the person (hugged or kissed them); you shared eating or drinking utensils; or they sneezed, coughed, or somehow got respiratory droplets on you.*

- All groups should keep a record of attendance. In the event that a possible COVID-19 exposure is discovered, we will contact all those present at the affected gathering and shut down the meeting space for deep cleaning.
- Group meetings should not include singing at this time.
- Any food should be served or in individually packaged containers. (No “buffets” at this time, please.)
- If you are not already involved in a Sunday school class or small group, please contact the church office. We can help connect you with an existing group or give you information about additional groups that are being developed for this time.

⁴ “Reopening Guidance for Cleaning and Disinfecting Public Spaces, Workplaces, Businesses, Schools, and Homes,” *Centers for Disease Control and Prevention*, <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/reopen-guidance.html>

⁵ Governor Brian Kemp, Executive Order: “Reviving a Healthy Georgia,” May 12, 2020, <https://gov.georgia.gov/document/2020-executive-order/05122002/download>

⁶ “Symptoms for Corona Virus,” *Centers for Disease Control and Prevention*, <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html>

APPENDIX 3

Guidelines for In-Person Worship Services

The second step in our plan for regathering will include a return to in-person worship. We have made plans keeping some of our most vulnerable members in mind. We have also tried to honor our church's commitment to the unique expressions of worship embodied in our traditional and contemporary services. Therefore, we are implementing the following guidelines for worship for the foreseeable future.

- We will conduct two morning worship services (9:00 and 11:15).^{11, 12}
- Our 9:00 service will be more “traditional” in style and will be held in the sanctuary. Attendees will be asked to sit in designated spaces to ensure physical distancing.
 - We have removed some items from the sanctuary that are particularly difficult to disinfect (hymnals, Bibles, pew cards, etc.).
- Our 11:15 service will be more “contemporary” in style and will be held in Morgan Hall. Chairs will be spaced out to ensure physical distancing.
 - Plastic and/or metal chairs will be used during this time instead of the normal padded worship chairs. This will help our cleaning staff in effectively cleaning and disinfecting the worship space between services.
- Children's Church and nursery will be provided. All children will be screened at drop off. Childcare workers are required to wear masks for the duration of their service.
- All attendees will be asked to maintain physical distancing measures (remaining 6 ft. apart) from those that do not live in the same household.^{11, 12}
- Common Grounds Coffee House will be open and have coffee available on Sunday mornings. We have removed some of the seating and spaced out chairs to encourage folks to maintain physical distancing while in the coffee house area.
- During these services, we will observe the following special procedures to help prevent the spread of disease:
 - We will ask attendees to wear a **cloth face covering**, whenever possible.^{7, 12} Extra masks will be available for those who do not bring a personal one. Ministers and musicians will wear masks when greeting the congregation, but may remove them while leading in the service to facilitate clear audio and non-verbal communication.
 - FBC Griffin is a “community of grace.” As such, we understand that there are extenuating circumstances that may prevent some worship attendees from wearing a mask. Please let a greeter know when you arrive if one of the following circumstances affects you.
 - ▶ For children younger than 2 years old.
 - ▶ If you have trouble breathing or are unable to remove the mask without help.

- ▶ If your health conditions prohibit wearing a face covering.
 - ▶ If you're communicating with a hearing-impaired person, needing your mouth to be visible.
- Worship attenders are asked to self-screen before entering the building. This should include the following questions: In the last 48 hours, have you had: Any cough, shortness of breath, or difficulty breathing? Fever of 100.0 or higher? Any chills, body aches, headache, sore throat or new loss of taste/smell? If the answer to any of these is yes, we recommend that the individual not enter the building voluntarily.
 - We will have hand sanitizing stations around the church and encourage people to sanitize their hands upon entering the worship space.^{11, 12}
 - Greeters will be encouraged to refrain from physical touch and shaking hands. If they are at a door, they will be encouraged to prop open the door to limit the number of people touching common surfaces.
 - We will have bulletins placed on pews to help space households apart. Please sit where a bulletin is located. In addition to the bulletin, we will project lyrics and readings onto the screen(s) at the front of the worship space.^{11, 12}
 - The act of singing creates an increased risk of spreading COVID. If worshippers choose to sing, we ask that you be considerate of others by wearing a mask and staying at least 6 feet apart throughout the service.
 - Children's worship materials will be available in gallon zip lock bags and will contain single-use (disposable) materials for children.¹²
 - The morning offering will be taken up by ushers coming down the aisles or coming around with offering buckets. We are not "passing the plate" at this time. ^{11, 12} Congregants are also welcome to continue giving online, through text message, or by mailing in their offerings by check.
 - Our plan is to continue celebrating communion on the first Sunday of each month. We will have tables set up at the entrance of "disposable" communion supplies that worshippers can pick up as they enter.¹²
- We are asking that families fill out a reservation form for worship so that we can better plan for worship materials. We will send out this reservation form weekly and it can be accessed via the church calendar and the website.
 - If someone attends one of our weekend services and later discovers that they have tested positive for COVID-19, they are asked to contact Steven Norris, so that we may assess the risk and mitigate against any potential spread. They should then follow the guidelines for necessary quarantine from the CDC and/or a medical professional (these guidelines are individualized and based on a person's unique symptoms).
 - If a church member or guest has been in *close contact** with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19, they should not attend for a minimum of one Sunday (with a negative COVID test) or two Sundays (without a test).

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- For those who still feel uncomfortable gathering in person, we will continue offering our broadcast services of the “traditional” service (television, radio, and internet streaming) and the “contemporary” service (internet streaming), both at 11:00 a.m.^{11, 12}

⁷ Governor Brian Kemp, Executive Order: “Reviving a Healthy Georgia,” May 12, 2020, <https://gov.georgia.gov/document/2020-executive-order/05122002/download>

APPENDIX 4

Guidelines for Benevolence and Clothes' Closet Ministries

As we prepare to open our Benevolence and Clothes' Closet ministries up to the wider community, we feel that it is necessary to make plans with the interests and needs of our most vulnerable members and clients in mind. Therefore, we are implementing the following guidelines for the FBC Griffin Ministry Center and other facilities.⁸

We will ask that volunteers and clients observe the following guidelines:

- All volunteers and clients should observe **physical distancing** while in the building (staying 6 feet away from others when you must go into a shared space).⁹
- Plastic barriers will be provided as a physical barrier between clients and volunteers.
- All volunteers should frequently **wash hands** or use alcohol-based hand sanitizer (at least 60% alcohol) when soap and water are not available throughout the day.⁴ Hand sanitizing stations will be placed at the entrance.
- All volunteers and clients are **strongly** encouraged to wear a **cloth face covering** while inside in the Benevolence or Clothes' Closet areas.¹⁷
 - FBC Griffin is a “community of grace.” As such, we understand that there may be extenuating circumstances that would prevent a volunteer or client from wearing a mask. These include (but are not limited to):
 - ▶ Children younger than 2 years old.
 - ▶ Those who have trouble breathing or are unable to remove the mask without help.
 - ▶ Those whose health conditions prohibit wearing a face covering.
 - ▶ Those communicating with a hearing-impaired person, needing your mouth to be visible.
- All volunteers and clients should avoid touching eyes, nose, and mouth.¹⁶
- **Clients are asked not to bring children** into the Ministry Center (Benevolence or Clothes Closet) or the Scout Lodge at this time.
- Every volunteer should **self-screen** at home before coming to serve. This should include the following questions: In the last 48 hours, have you had: Any cough, shortness of breath, or difficulty breathing? Fever of 100.0 or higher? Any chills, body aches, headache, sore throat or new loss of taste/smell? Clients may also be likewise screened before entrance to the building is allowed.

If a volunteer feels sick, they should stay at home.¹⁷ Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. The following are common symptoms of COVID-19:^{10, 16}

- Fever or chills (over 100)
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

- If, at any time, a volunteer tests positive for COVID-19, they should immediately contact their direct supervisor (David Cordova, Tami Sexton, or Steven Norris). Volunteers that have tested positive for COVID-19 should not come to Benevolence or the Clothes Closet and should follow the guidelines for quarantine from the CDC or a medical professional (these guidelines are individualized and based on a person's unique symptoms).¹⁸
- If an employee has been in close contact* with someone who has tested positive for COVID, they should quarantine for a minimum of seven days followed by a negative COVID test (or a minimum of ten days without testing).

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- Volunteers should help the custodial staff to **clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces**. This includes, but is not limited to the following:¹⁷
 - tables
 - doorknobs
 - light switches
 - countertops
 - handles
 - desks
 - phones
 - keyboards
 - Photocopier
 - toilets
 - faucets and sinks
 - touch screens

**Proper protective equipment should be used while cleaning these spaces (mask, gloves, etc.). Designated disinfectant/cleaner will also be available from the church staff.*

- FBC will place **signs** encouraging physical distancing, proper hygiene, proper use of face coverings, and other related educational information throughout the building.^{16, 17}

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¹⁰ "Symptoms for Corona Virus," *Centers for Disease Control and Prevention*, <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html>

APPENDIX 5

Guidelines for Weight Room and Exercise Facility

As we begin open our building to the wider community, we feel that it is necessary to make plans with the interests and needs of our most vulnerable members and clients in mind. Therefore, we are implementing the following guidelines for the Family Life Center at FBC Griffin and the exercise areas.¹¹

Though the FLC is open, we would ask that guests observe the following capacity limits:

- Weight Room - 6 individuals²¹
- Aerobics Room - 4 individuals²¹

***ALL GUESTS USING THE WEIGHT ROOM OR AEROBICS ROOM SHOULD BE AWARE THAT HEAVY BREATHING ASSOCIATED WITH STRENUOUS EXERCISE WILL GREATLY INCREASE THE RISK OF POTENTIAL COVID-19 TRANSMISSION. PLEASE USE DISCRETION WHEN UTILIZING THIS SPACE.**

In each of these spaces, we will ask that guests observe the following guidelines:

- All guests should observe **physical distancing** while in the building (staying 6 feet away from others when you must go into a shared space).^{12, 13} This includes distance between trainers and clients. *However, numerous studies suggest that those exercising should keep physical distance of 16 ft. or more due to the aerosol transmission of COVID-19.*
- Members engaging in an aerobics or other fitness classes should maintain physical distance of 10 feet between participants.²¹ *However, numerous studies suggest that those exercising should keep physical distance of 16 ft. or more due to the aerosol transmission of COVID-19.*
- All guests should frequently **wash hands** or use alcohol-based hand sanitizer (at least 60% alcohol) when soap and water are not available throughout the day.¹⁹ Hand sanitizing stations will be placed at the entrance.²¹
- All guests to the FBC Building are **strongly** encouraged to wear a **cloth face covering** while inside all areas of the building.²⁰ Heavy breathing associated with strenuous exercise greatly increases the risk of viral spread.
- All guests should avoid touching eyes, nose, and mouth.²⁰
- Every guest should **self-screen** at home before coming to serve. This should include the following questions: In the last 48 hours, have you had: Any cough, shortness of breath, or difficulty breathing? Fever of 100.0 or higher? Any chills, body aches, headache, sore throat or new loss of taste/smell? Guests to the building may also be asked these questions before entrance to the building is allowed. If the answer to any of these is “yes,” guests should not enter the building.

Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. The following are common symptoms of COVID-19:^{14, 20}

- Fever or chills (over 100)
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

- If, at any time, a guest tests positive for COVID-19, they should not use the workout facility and should immediately contact the church office at (770) 227-5517. Guests should then follow the guidelines for quarantine from the CDC or a medical professional (these guidelines are individualized and based on a person's unique symptoms).
- If a guest has been in *close contact** with someone who has tested positive for COVID, they should refrain from using the workout facilities for a minimum of seven days followed by a negative COVID test (or a minimum of ten days without testing).

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- Those using the equipment in the weight room or aerobics room should **clean and disinfect all equipment** with the provided disinfectant and a paper towel before AND after use to prevent the spread of disease.²¹
- Those using the treadmill or other aerobic machines should have a minimum of one empty machine between themselves and the next person using the space.²¹
- FBC will place signs encouraging physical distancing, proper hygiene, proper use of face coverings, and other related educational information throughout the building.^{20, 21, 22}

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¹² "Reopening Guidance for Cleaning and Disinfecting Public Spaces, Workplaces, Businesses, Schools, and Homes," *Centers for Disease Control and Prevention*, <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/reopen-guidance.html>

¹³ Governor Brian Kemp, Executive Order: "Reviving a Healthy Georgia," May 12, 2020, <https://gov.georgia.gov/document/2020-executive-order/05122002/download>

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APPENDIX 6

Guidelines for COVID Exposure and Outbreaks

If a member or guest of First Baptist attends a service or event and later discovers that they have tested positive for COVID-19, they should contact Steven Norris to allow us to assess the possibility of exposure risk to the congregation. All efforts will be made to maintain the privacy of the individual's health information.

In the event of a reported case, the following steps will be utilized.

- The ministers will be informed of the report in order to assess the potential exposure risk to the congregation.
- The incident will be reported confidentially to the COVID Response Team (leaving out any identifying information to protect the individual's privacy). Based on the circumstances of the individual case, the Response Team will assess the incident and make a recommendation to the church as to appropriate actions.
- Such actions may include, but are not limited to the following, based on the severity and circumstances of the incident:
 - Reporting the potential exposure to the congregation.
 - Contacting individuals believed to be in close proximity to individual who tested positive.
 - Suspending services (either individually or entirely) for 1-2 weeks.
 - Thoroughly disinfecting and deep cleaning the area in question.
- Additional actions may be also taken by the COVID Response Team when there has not been a specific exposure risk based on the current state of the healthcare system in Griffin and Spalding County.