## **Returning to Church**

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For the foreseeable future, we anticipate our lives to be shaped by a timeline set by COVID-19. As we await vaccine distribution, we face difficult choices between conflicting needs and imperatives. If anything, we will exercise as much caution as possible, because we do not want to encourage the most vulnerable among us to choose between keeping themselves and others safe and participating in congregational life.

Hubbard United Methodist Church is committed to providing a safe and healthy experience for all our workers, members, visitors, and guests. To ensure we have a safe and healthy experience, HUMC has developed a Worship Safely Team who meet regularly to assure a safe return to worship.

## **Please Continue to Worship With Us**

Though we will continue online worship, Sunday mornings at 9:00am CT, **We will resume in-person worship on May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021. We hope you will join us!** 

**WORSHIP ONLINE** 

## What You Can Do

- Pray for those who are affected by this virus those who are ill, the medical professionals treating them, the scientists working on vaccines and cures, those with mental health concerns, and the leaders making tough decisions to try and curb the spread of the virus and keep us safe, as well as those who are feeling lonely at this time please reach out to anyone you think might be feeling isolated.
- ◆ Educate yourself about the Coronavirus from credible and reliable sources, such as from the <u>Center for Disease Control</u>, the <u>World Health Organization</u>, the <u>Minnesota Department of Health</u> and <u>MinnesotaUMC.org</u>. Know the symptoms and have a plan for what you would do if you or a family member were to become sick.
- ♦ Check on your friends and neighbors. Continue to reach out and care for one another through phone calls, emails, and social media.
- ◆ Take care of you. Uncertainty and confusion can have a harmful effect on your mental health.
- ◆ Remember this is temporary. Our church continues to serve our congregation and community. Continue to be a part of the ministry – the need for the support

you give to this community and around the world continues despite the pandemic. Watch for opportunities to serve individually or in smaller groups. Please continue your financial support of the work of the church.

Please know that at Hubbard UMC, providing for your COMPLETE SAFETY is a key element of the love we all share for each other.

Thank you,

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