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We look forward to welcoming you back to church! Welcome home!

However it will be different. And you have a new priest to contend with too!

But first, starting **Sunday, September 13th**, services will resume in the church in a limited manner. There will be communion (bread only) but no singing. Due to capacity restrictions, it will not be possible for us to gather in large numbers and it will be necessary to limit the number attending services. We will begin by having two services per week; Wednesday at 10:00 am (starting September 16th) and Sunday at 10:30 am (again, starting the 13th). The maximum number of participants we will register will be 40, and this includes staff and clergy.

However, if and when we discover that we are oversubscribed, we will add additional services as necessary.

To register for an upcoming service:

- Phone or e-mail the church office and state the service you would like to attend and the number of people who will be with you.
- Families from the same household may sit together,
- You will be notified if we have reached the maximum capacity for a given service.

Please note that every reasonable precaution has been and will continue to be taken to protect your health and safety. However, there can be no guarantees of complete protection as there will always be risks of contracting a viral infection through large gatherings.

Please do not enter the church if you have a temperature, feel ill or have been in contact with a COVID-19 positive individual over the past two weeks.

Additional information:

- Masks or face coverings are required.
- Sign-in on the contact tracing sheet.
- Sanitize your hands upon entry.
- Please maintain physical distancing at all times. Stay 2 metres (or 6 feet) away from others.
- Please follow the direction provided by ushers/volunteers for seating.

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For those who prefer not to gather yet, please note that:

- Tuesday's Zoom BCP Evening Prayer will continue.
- The ever-popular Zoom Friday Happy Hour from 5:30- 6:30 will continue
- The Sunday Eucharist will be live-streamed (details to follow).
- And in October, a Zoom Bible Class will be offered

These have been such strange days. And we mourn all who have suffered from Covid-19, and indeed all that we have personally lost. And even the limited regathering will chafe; we'll vividly remember the hugs, the singing, the food shared and the chalice sipped. And Fr. David is gone. It's going to smart a little, and we'll be feeling all that we *can't* do. But, we rest on the eternal promises of Jesus and recall that God is indeed good.

Every blessing,

Fr. Stephen (interim priest in charge)
and the Wardens, André, Janet, Josette and Brian.