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Dear Immanuel members,

We write to you with great excitement with plans for worship this spring. The council has voted to resume in-building worship starting on Sunday, April 11th. Worship will be offered in three formats on Sunday mornings including a small in-building service, an outdoor service, and the continuation of the worship livestream. We will also continue to live stream WoW on Wednesday evenings. These options are offered knowing that each person and family will have different needs and levels of comfort for worship. We recognize that attending gatherings in person is still not in the best interest of everyone and while we are taking thoughtful precautions, there is no guarantee of safety from COVID-19 during in-person worship. As church leaders, we want to support you in whatever decision is best for you and your family. We appreciate everyone's care and patience during this pandemic.

The indoor service will have an online sign-up that initially limits attendance to 50 people. Worshippers age two and older will be asked to wear masks and will be seated in their household units six feet apart. The worship service will be short and there will not be congregational singing or unison prayers. People who are sick or who have been exposed to COVID19 should not attend.

The outdoor service will be the same format that was offered in the summer and fall. People will wear masks, bring their own chairs, and stay at least six feet apart from others. You do not need to sign up ahead of time, but attendance will be taken. If the weather is nice, outdoor worship will be offered on Palm Sunday & Easter. People who are sick or who have been exposed to COVID19 should not attend.

Sunday Worship Schedule

9:00 a.m. In-building Worship and Livestream

10:00 a.m. Outdoor Worship

If you have general questions or need help signing up for the in-building service, please contact our church office. We are grateful to our COVID team for their development of detailed protocols to allow us to again gather in person, which are available on Immanuel's website. The CDC's website as well as the EC County Community Recommendations for Gatherings have additional information regarding gatherings and for persons who may be at increased risk from COVID19. If you have questions about the service itself or the protocols in place, please contact:

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In Christ's Love,
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