

ERUUF Phased Reopening Guidelines

PHASE 3.1: beginning August 5, in response to the increased rate of new covid cases (especially the highly contagious Delta variant) all people who attend an indoor event at ERUUF must wear a mask and practice social distancing at all times. We are following recommendations from CDC and NC DHHS (see resources below), particularly <https://covid19.ncdhhs.gov/media/618/open>

RE classes for children will be outdoors to the maximum possible extent; indoor classes are permitted with safety measures according to PHASE 3 (below). ERUUF continues to follow the Guidelines for Plan A for North Carolina Public Schools <https://covid19.ncdhhs.gov/media/164/download>

PHASE 3.2: beginning August 15, 2021 the campus remains open for individuals who wish to attend in person worship services and for groups that choose to meet in person.

- Masks must be worn indoors by all persons at all times, with the exception that worship participants may remove their masks while speaking at the pulpit/podium.
- Cantors will lead hymns from the Chapel. Note: only one singer or instrumentalist may be in the Chapel at each service, unless they are in the same family or pod.
- Congregants may sing softly in the sanctuary while masked and socially distanced.
- Wind instruments will be played from the Chapel. Note: only one instrumentalist or singer may be in the Chapel at each service, unless they are in the same family or pod.
- String and percussion instruments may be played in the sanctuary.
- Social distancing of 6' in all directions will be practiced by everyone.
- Kitchens on campus remain closed and no food may be shared at this time.
- Campus rentals may resume for groups that have clearly defined, accountable leadership in place.
- **ERUUF staff must show proof of vaccination to their supervisor, or show negative results from a once a week rapid covid test, taken no more than 48 hours before Sunday worship.** Records will be maintained by the Director of Administration. Individuals' vaccination status will be kept confidential.
- **ERUUF Volunteers who interact face to face with the public, especially children, must show proof of vaccination to the program's staff partner, or show negative test results from a rapid covid test no more than 48 hours before the program is to take place.** Records will be maintained by the Director of Administration. Individuals' vaccination status will be kept confidential.
- Summer and Fall programs for children, youth, and adults are being reassessed, and if needed will be revised to create maximum safety while allowing for all important in person contact.

PHASE 3.3: beginning August 22, 2021 due to extensive construction in the sanctuary, worship services will be produced in the sanctuary by a small worship production team and Livestreamed to the Fellowship Hall, YouTube, and Facebook. This will provide the opportunity for in person worship to the extent possible for those who are eager for that experience with fellow congregants, and the inclusion of music while still maintaining covid safety protocols.

Fall programs for children, youth, and adults are being reassessed, and if needed will be revised to create maximum safety while allowing for all important in person contact.