



We're Masking Up Again at Church

As you may know by now, Lancaster County moved into the “substantial” category of coronavirus transmission this week, according to [the CDC](#). This means wearing masks again in indoor gatherings is recommended, even for people vaccinated against Covid-19.

Acting on this information, our Pandemic Safety Team asked Session to immediately change our policy from “masks optional” to “masks recommended.” Session has approved this change.

“Masks recommended” means that the Session of First Presbyterian Church urges everyone entering our church building for worship and all other activities to wear a mask. It is clear that unvaccinated people, including children and those with certain medical conditions, are at high risk of infection by the Delta variant of the coronavirus. Plus, according to a CDC study released July 30, vaccinated people may transmit the Delta variant just as easily as the unvaccinated.

We have throughout the pandemic taken very seriously the health and safety of our staff, congregants, visitors, and the larger community with whom we interact. Donning masks once again continues this stance and is a simple act of care and love for one another.

Thank you!

Pandemic Safety Team and Session

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