

Dear Hope Chapel family;

We look forward to the time when we can gather together again in larger numbers. This time is coming closer and closer. Our desire is to keep you up to date with the plans for "re-gathering." On the following page you can see a picture representation of what this will look like. We are taking a phased-in approach to gathering together.

Phase 1 (Restricted Gatherings) – this was the lockdown phase when we had no gathering and all connections were done virtually. The Food Pantry still operated but with restrictions on masks, social distancing and handing out food.

**Phase 2 (Reduced Gatherings) – WE ARE CURRENTLY IN THIS PHASE.** We are beginning to gather again in small groups. Whether it is Discipleship Families starting to gather or some leadership team meetings, we are beginning to have physical connections, following appropriate guidelines for safety. We will be in this phase until at least June 14. At that time, we hope to have more information to help decide when we can move into phase 3.

Phase 3 (Limited Gatherings) – during this phase, we will begin to gather again on Sundays. The form this will take has yet to be determined but will have limitations and restrictions that will be put in place for both adults and children. Our intent is to show love and grace to one another throughout this time. Online services will continue even when we begin to gather again.

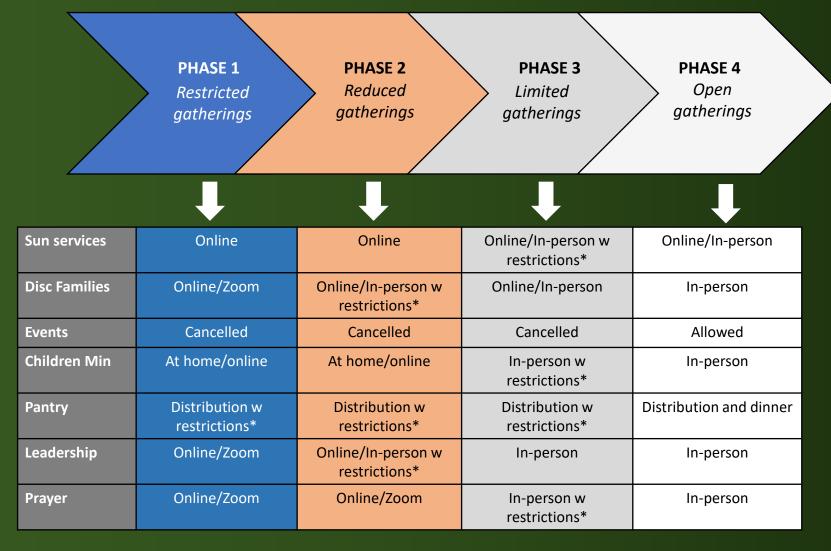
Phase 4 (Open Gatherings) – once we reach this final phase, services will continue with many (not necessarily all) of the restrictions lifted. We can begin to have large group events and participate in larger community events as well.

Throughout this process, we will be communicating changes. We want to accommodate different levels of comfort and security for different people, all while demonstrating a Christ-like attitude towards others. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact a church leader.

On behalf of the Hope Chapel leadership,

Weldon Lemke Pastor – Hope Chapel

## Gathering Guidelines



<sup>\*</sup> Per state and local guidelines, including (wherever applicable) numbers of people allowed, washing hands, social distancing, masks and disinfecting.