

From: Delavan CRC Council  
To: Delavan CRC Congregation  
Date: June 30, 2021

Congregation of Delavan CRC,

It has been almost a year and a half since we were confronted with COVID-19 and all the decisions that lay before us. We have had to make decisions regarding masks and social distancing and we had to put policies together for the guiding of the ministries entrusted to us.

We thank you for your support, your feedback, and your following of our leadership. We ask your forgiveness for the ways we have fallen short. And we praise God for his providential work through us.

At the last Council meeting on June 28, 2021, we discussed our various COVID-19 policies, and based on the current state of health in Walworth County and in our congregation, we decided to cease almost all parts of the COVID-19 policy.

- Masks will no longer be “expected” to be worn
- All social distancing restrictions in the sanctuary will be taken down
- The fellowship hall (basement) will no longer be a “mask required” zone during the worship service
- Coffee hour after the service will resume (pending volunteers)
- All our youth and children's ministries (including nursery and Children's Worship) may base their policies on these new guidelines.

For now, the offering plates will continue to be on the table outside the sanctuary.

When we celebrate the Lord's Supper, we will return to our regular elements and pass the communion plates throughout the sanctuary. However, if partaking in this way makes you uncomfortable, we will still have the prepackaged, single serve elements we have been using available to pick up on your way into church. We want to make sure all can participate in the Lord's Supper in a way they are comfortable with.

If you have any feedback or concerns or if there are ways we can serve you, please talk with any council member.

We praise God for his sovereign hand resting upon and guiding DCRC and we pray for his wisdom as we continue to serve him and his ministry in this world.

God bless you all!

Yours in Christ,  
The Delavan CRC Council