

OLD APOSTOLIC LUTHERAN CHURCH OF BRUSH PRAIRIE, WA Sep 12, 2020

The Brush Prairie board has put together a return to church plan with limited capacity in accordance with the phase 2 Religious Organization Covid-19 Requirements. In order to comply with this, we have created small groups using the Christian’s last names. These groups would then be scheduled for each Sunday with 200 people allowed in the Sanctuary and 200 people in the basement. These are in accordance with the current state guidelines and may change as we receive future guidance from the state in the future.

Before attending a church service:

- Perform a health check of yourself and your children. Those with a fever above 100.4F or any other signs of illness should stay home for at least three days.
- You should stay home for 14 days if you have tested positive for COVID 19 or been in close proximity to a someone with a positive COVID test.

To minimize the spread of COVID infections or exposure at the church building:

- Members of the same household are encouraged to enter the Sanctuary at the same time so they can be seated together.
- Six foot spacing between members of different households is mandatory. Ushers will direct each household where to sit by filling the sanctuary from the front to the back and using a similar method for the basement. After the service the ushers will also direct the exiting so please remain seated until your bench is released.
- Please refrain from handshaking or embracing. Hand sanitizer stations will be in the lobby for use on arrival.
- Use the rear lobby doors for entering and exiting the sanctuary. Use the north door for entering and exiting the basement.
- Face coverings are required for anyone 5 years of age and older for both inside and outside while on church property. It is also recommended to encourage your younger children to wear them if possible. Face coverings need to remain on both inside and outside on the church grounds. This includes during singing.
- To spread out the arrival times Christians may begin arriving at 10:30 AM.

GROUP CONFIGURATIONS FOR BRUSH PRAIRIE FOR REGULAR SUNDAY SERVICES:

GROUP #	LAST NAME
1	A – G
2	H – J
3	K – Nyb.
4	Nyl. – Sa
5	Sch - Z

Upstairs DATE	GROUP #	LOCATION
9/13	2	Upstairs
	1	Basement
9/20	3	Upstairs
	4	Basement

- Those who are part of the organizational staff (preachers, song leaders, sound techs, ushers) for each Sunday are encouraged to include their families when attending.
- We ask that people self-monitor and stay home if they have any signs of illness or fever. Individuals at higher risk or otherwise uncomfortable attending in-person service are encouraged to continue attending services via the telephone patch.
- Church cleaning and disinfection of all areas in use will take place after each church event.
- Those seated upstairs during the service are encouraged to use the upstairs restrooms. For males this would be one of the single occupant restrooms in the two lobbies. For females, this would be the restroom in the nursery. Those in the basement should use the main basement restrooms.
- Those using the restrooms are asked to maintain a six foot distance from others within the restroom.
- In order to keep those seated upstairs and those in the basement separate, the nursery will only be available for those seated upstairs.
- Feel free to stay home and receive the phone patch if you are uncomfortable attending church at this time.
- Those individuals at a high risk due to advanced age or underlying health conditions and those in their households should consider staying home.

New Wedding and Funeral guidelines have been implemented beginning August 6th per the Governor's order. This limits the number of people that can attend a wedding or funeral to 30 guests not counting operational staff. Also receptions at the church building are prohibited. Lance Dallum is the COVID -19 Site Supervisor. He may be contacted to discuss specific setup arrangements and to coordinate with family representatives.

The Brush Prairie board with the preachers has endeavored to put together a new group list and a schedule for our upcoming Fall Missionary meetings. We will be using 4 groups and still using the sanctuary and basement for each meeting. All the previous COVID requirements still apply. With the larger sized groups we will still be able to provide appropriate distancing in the sanctuary and basement and will utilize the Lobby for overflow if needed.

The following are the new groups for meetings:

GROUP 1: A – Hal

GROUP 2: Ham – Lin

GROUP 3: Lip – R

GROUP 4: S – Z

FALL MEETING SCHEDULE:

DATE	GROUP #	LOCATION
Fri 9/25 AM	1	Upstairs
	2	Basement
9/25 PM	3	Upstairs
	4	Basement
Sat 9/26 AM	2	Upstairs
	1	Basement
9/26 PM	4	Upstairs
	3	Basement
Sun 9/27 AM	3	Upstairs
	4	Basement
9/27 PM	1	Upstairs
	2	Basement

COVID Sunday School Plan for Brush Prairie:

Sunday school will resume on Wednesday September 16th from 7 – 7:45PM and be on Wednesday evenings until further notice. To keep proper distancing classes are configured to use parts of the entire facility. Masks are required for both students and teachers.

Grade 1 will use the Nursery and Father's room and children should enter through the main lobby

Grades 7 & 8 are in the upstairs classrooms and children should enter through the main lobby

Grade 9 is in the main lobby

Grades 5 & 6 are in the main sanctuary and children should enter through the north door directly into sanctuary

Grades 2, 3 and 4 are in the basement and children should enter through the north door directly into the basement

For parents who remain in the parking lot after dropping off students please park on the east side of the building. Also remember that masks are required while on the church grounds.

A copy of the COVID 19 Exposure Control, Mitigation and Recovery Plan for OALC Brush Prairie is posted on the bulletin board in the church lobby. Please contact a local board member if you have any questions about the church reopening plan.