

Worship in a Time of Infections

Fairmont Presbyterian Church is committed to the health and wellbeing of all members of our community. We have formed a health advisory committee consisting of Dr. Jeff Adam, Dr. Taylor Kabacinski, and Dr. Anne Venable to inform and advise Fairmont leaders on the status of the Corona Virus in our community and make changes to our ministry as they may be needed. These physicians receive daily, and sometimes hourly, updates from Premier Health Network, Kettering Health Network, Veterans' Affairs, the Ohio State Medical Board, and public health officials. Based on that information and their professional advice, we make the following recommendations:

1. If you are sick, please do not come to church. Stay home, rest, hydrate, and get better. You are a far greater blessing preserving the health of others than coming to church. Sermons are all available online.
2. Wash your hands thoroughly and regularly with soap and water. Washing is vastly more effective in preventing transmission of viruses than alcohol gels.
3. If you cough or sneeze, please cover your mouth and nose, but do not use your hands to do so because it just spreads the germs. Cover your face with a tissue and throw it away, or if none are available use your elbow.
4. For the present time, we would ask you to not shake hands or hug during the passing of the peace (*and the kiss of peace is a no go*). Greet one another verbally and share whatever sign or gesture of peace and love you prefer (*peace sign, slight bow, Vulcan greeting, etc.*).
5. If you have travelled in the past month to China, South Korea, or Italy, please do not come to worship or public church gatherings.
6. If you have lung disease or are being treated for a pulmonary health problem or if you are on immunosuppressant drugs, please do not come to worship or public church gatherings.
7. Alcohol gel dispensers are located at the sanctuary entrances. We invite you to use them when you arrive at Fairmont for worship.

Thank you for helping us keep Fairmont safe!