

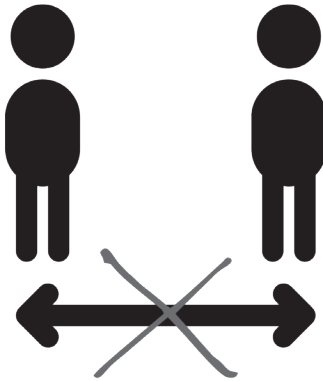
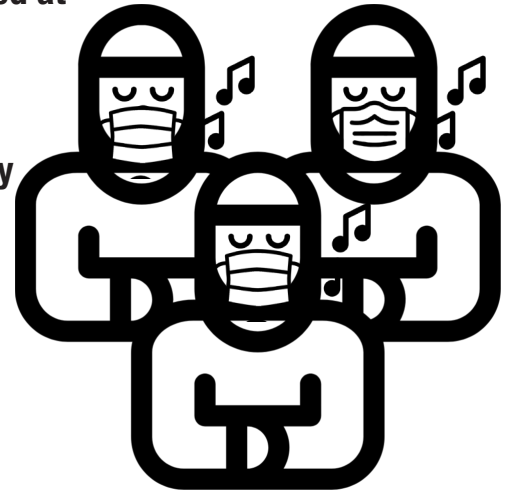
Worship Changes Related to Covid-19

You may remember that we set metrics in the fall about how Covid-19 numbers would affect how we gather. Recent changes in numbers have dropped us below some of our markers, so here is where we are right now.

The choir began singing in January, eight weeks after vaccinations were made available to 5-11 year olds.

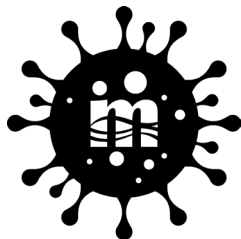
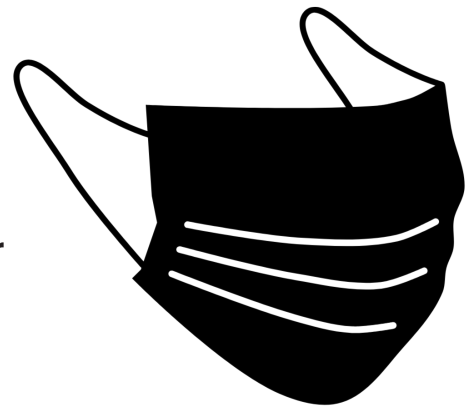


Congregational singing – still wearing masks – returned at the beginning of March, when the Hennepin County positivity rate dropped below 5%.



We removed our distancing measures near the end of March when our 7 day average of new cases fell below 10/100,000 per day.

We are continuing to be masked inside the building, for worship and in all our public spaces (individuals in a closed room together can make a group decision to remove masks as long as they remain in that room). Our marker for that was 7/100,000 new cases a day, and we are not there yet.



The Covid Task Force continues to meet. We evaluate where we are, look at our metrics, and may make more decisions on markers once vaccines are available for all ages. Stay tuned!