



# CHRIST LUTHERAN

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## Covid Mask Update and Kick-Off Sunday

As Covid restrictions eased several months ago, we mirrored what CMS, our governor and the CDC were recommending: (1) larger gatherings were allowed; (2) masks were optional for the vaccinated; (3) masks were required for unvaccinated people, including children.

But now with this Delta variant overwhelming our hospitals and the recent votes on returning to mandated masks for indoor gatherings, we need to make another change to our protocol and continue to mirror what our local officials are mandating. Therefore, Church Council met on August 16th, reviewed those guidelines and made these decisions, effective immediately:

- For all people, vaccinated or not, masks will be required on all campuses for indoor activities, including worship.
- All volunteers working with children must be vaccinated and masked.
- All members singing in Christ Choir or SpiritSong must be vaccinated and masked.
- All volunteers such as ushers, greeters, communion assistants and adult Sunday School leaders must be vaccinated and masked.
- There will be a sign posted on our front doors reflecting mask guidelines.
- These guidelines will be reviewed each month by Council.

In terms of our fall programming, we are not letting this virus stop us from living our lives. We are going forward with our fall worship schedule (with new worship times starting Sept. 12th at Christ Providence):

- 8:45 a.m. Christ Providence Traditional Worship
- 10:00 a.m. Christ Providence The Bridge Service
- 10-10:45 a.m. Christ Providence Sunday School (all ages • begins Sept. 19th)
- 10:00 a.m. Christ South Outdoor Worship
- 10:00 a.m. Christ Concord Multi-Generational Modern Worship
- 11:00 a.m. Christ Providence Contemporary Worship

Most of our Sunday and weekly classes will offer a hybrid model of in-person and online participation. And the children's message will be extended to include 3-year-olds to 3rd graders.

