

FAQ's For Woodlawn Reopen

Due to the spike in Covid-19, the leadership at Woodlawn has made the decision that this is not the best time to reopen the church campus. However, the questions and responses below will still help you understand the strategy and guidelines as Woodlawn continues to plan to reopen the church campus.

What is the temporary schedule for the reopening of the church campus?

Wednesday – 6:00 pm Worship - This is the Traditional Worship that typically occurs at 9:30 on Sunday and is led by Barry Owens. This is a designated worship that will allow the at-risk community to attend.

Sunday – 11:00 am Worship – This is the contemporary worship service led by David Wall

Adult LifeGroups – Each Adult LifeGroup is being given the flexibility to meet at the best time for them. Several of the groups will be meeting Sunday morning at 9:30 (some may meet earlier.) The goal is for those attending these Lifegroups that do not plan to attend the 11:00am worship to be out of the building before others enter the facilities for 11:00am worship. The Adult LifeGroups will follow the same guidelines as those who are attending worship.

There will not be any Youth, Children, or Preschool Lifegroups nor will there be childcare as we reopen the campus in this first phase.

Is Woodlawn leadership expecting everyone to return to Campus for worship as it begins to reopen?

No. We are expecting at the most only 25% of those that attend Woodlawn to be on the church campus when it reopens. If anyone does not feel comfortable being around people, they are encouraged to stay at home. We do not believe it is currently safe to have more than that amount in worship at this time.

Do I have to register to attend Worship?

We are asking all those that plan to attend to RSVP for the service they will be attending.

If you plan to attend the worship on **Sunday at 11:00am**, please click this link.

<https://churchteams.com/m/Register.asp?a=ZFp1VkFXemlpUmc9> You can also text

512.777.2944 and type WORSHIP11 in the message.

If you plan to attend the **Wednesday night service at 6:00pm**, please click on this link. <https://churchteams.com/m/Register.asp?a=emgrN0VTSE9jLzA9> You can also text 512.777.2944 and type WORSHIP in the message.

When you register, you can provide the number for all those that plan to attend with you. (We do not need every person's name.)

If you attend a Woodlawn worship service and discover later that you had Covid-19 while attending, please contact the church. We will be able to communicate with those who have registered for worship about the positive case.

Why Wednesday Night Worship?

State Guidelines recommend a special service for at-risk population or a designated area within the facilities. Since so many that attend the 9:30 traditional service are considered to be in the at-risk group, the decision was made that a special worship service would better provide for the members needs vs. a designated area. Woodlawn also believes it would be easier to keep this group protected by limiting their time in the facilities and making sure the facilities are sanitized before they enter.

Who is considered at-risk?

The At Risk Population as described by the State of Texas in the guidelines given to churches are those who are:

- 65 +
- Chronic lung disease
- Moderate to severe asthma
- Chronic heart disease
- Severe obesity
- Diabetes
- Chronic kidney disease
- Liver disease
- Weakened immune system

Can people who are not in the at-risk group attend the Wednesday night worship?

Yes, the balcony is considered a different room. Therefore, those who are not in the at-risk group and are interacting with other people in public can sit in the balcony. If you are not considered in the at-risk group, but you have remained cautious and do not have any interactions with anyone else in the workplace or public, it would be safe for you to attend this service and sit in the pews.

What can I expect as I enter the Campus?

- Everyone will be required to wear a face mask while in the facilities.
- All doors will be propped open so that you do not need to touch door handles as you enter.
- Everyone will be asked to sanitize their hands as they enter the facilities. (A bottle of sanitizer will be provided.)
- Everyone will be asked to maintain six feet distancing from other people or other families.
- Every other pew will be roped off. On each pew, you will be expected to sit 6 feet away from another person or family on your row.
- No coffee, water or shared food will be available at the church.
- The Playground will be closed.
- Finally, we expect all those who attend, to not have fever or any other symptoms or signs of Covid-19.

Why is Child Care and all other Children and Youth LifeGroups not being provided at this time?

The state guidelines required for these groups are more restrictive than the guidelines for adults. There is also the concern that many of the volunteers that work in these areas are in the at-risk group. It will take longer to implement the needed guidelines and to recruit the needed number of volunteers to work in these areas.

The hope is to be able to open these areas back around the same time that schools begin to reopen their campuses.