

NCF Information Sheet on Covid-19

22nd December 2020

Hello everyone,

Since 15th March, when we stopped meeting together physically, we have held one Physical + Zoom Sunday Morning Service (on 6th September), as well as nearly one hundred Services, housegroups, prayer times and Church Council Meetings purely on Zoom. We haven't met at all on a Sunday evening since 15th March. I have discussed with several people how we might return to using our building much more regularly from early 2021. This Information Sheet will give you more details on this. Some of this is quite basic, but it is important to follow. There are many bright notices in the building to remind you of the salient points.

At the moment our plan is have fortnightly Physical + Zoom Sunday Morning Services in early 2021. The dates for these would be:

3rd January, 17th January, 31st January,
14th February and 28th February.

On the alternate Sundays to these dates, we would meet only on Zoom. By late February, dependent on advice from the Government and Elim HQ in Malvern, I would hope to let you know of plans for March and possibly Easter.

Booking In: Jo Squires has agreed to organise this. If you want to attend any of the five Physical Services please contact her at the latest by noon on the Friday before the Sunday that you wish to attend. This will give her time to arrange the chairs in the building, as well as to create a signing in form.

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Summary

- ♦ Sunday morning Physical + Zoom Meetings will occur fortnightly in January and February, starting on 3rd January.
- ♦ Our Sunday morning Zoom Meetings will continue each week until at least Easter - for those who prefer or need to worship from home.

Face coverings: you will need to wear a mask or visor if you are coming to worship with us.

Entering our building + Signing In: there is a one-way system in place. Please only use the front door to enter the building. A steward will be in the foyer. Please wait by the Prayer Room for the steward to call you into the foyer. Here you will sanitise your hands and the steward will sign you in. You can also use the QR code that is displayed both on the outside front door and the door into our Main Hall. Once you have been signed in, the steward will direct you to a seat which has your name on it. Please remain there unless you need to use the toilet. Bring a cushion if that would help you and then take it home when you leave.

Refreshments: please bring your own hot/cold drink. The kitchen is not being used at the moment.

Toilets: it would be best if you didn't use them at the moment. If you do, please use the antibacterial wipes to clean all the surfaces you have touched. One of the cubicles in the Ladies will be cordoned off, with the urinals in the Gents being out of use too. Whilst people are arriving please only use the disabled toilet and not the ones in the foyer.

Worship: we can't sing in our Physical Services, but that is only one part of worship. Please feel free to murmur the words and to stand up. Please bring your own Bible to use during the Service.



Leaving our building: at the end of the Services please don't interact with other people. Please remain seated for the steward to direct you to the exit. If you have arrived in a car, please leave using the back door. If you have walked to get here, then turn right after exiting through the old kitchen. If you have come in a wheelchair you will be able to use our front door as an exit.

Offerings: we will not be using the normal offering bag for the foreseeable future. If it is possible for you to use online banking that that would be excellent. Our Sort Code is 05-06-43 and our Account Number is 4177 1833. If you wish to give anonymously, you can put cash into an envelope and give it to me directly. I will then put it into the church safe without opening it. The treasurer will then open it without knowing who gave the gift.

Community Groups: some Community Groups are already using our building.

Let's continue to pray, worship and serve others together.

If you want to comment on any of this I'd love to hear from you. Send me a letter, a text, or an email: ncfjohn@gmail.com 07982 404 951

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