

Northwest Church of the Nazarene Reopening the building Guidelines

Guiding Principles

The following are some of the factors to consider:

- The safety of our congregants and the community
- Our public witness
- The particular needs and circumstances of our congregation
- The guidance of our insurance company, South Central Ohio District, and legal council.
- The latest recommendations/orders from CDC and governmental authorities.

Phase One (Starting June 7)

Congregants in high-risk demographics should be encouraged to remain at home while attending our online services until later phases.

- Building has been sanitized and cleaned with hospital-grade disinfectant
- Services will be Sundays at 11am – There will be no physical activities in the building (Small groups, Bible studies, Children and Youth classes)
- All attendees are encouraged to wear facemasks (disposable facemasks available at the lobby) while in the building
- Entry and Building Exit are in separate doors.
- Seating is spaced to maintain social distancing. During services, facemasks are not necessary
- Worship center entrance and exit marked separate doors
- Service length is 60 minutes or less

Guidelines for those attending:

- Attendees should check their temperature before leaving the house. If 100 degrees or above, even if feeling well, should stay home
- If an attendee or family member is sick, (even with non-covid symptoms) they should stay home
- Children may attend but remain with adult at all times
- Facemasks are encouraged. Disposable masks are available at the lobby. During the service masks are not necessary
- Maintain at least 6ft distance when speaking with people, even with masks
- Make sure to enter and exit the worship center through the correct door
- There will be no offering plate. An offering basket is available at the lobby. Thank you for giving
- If using the restroom, maintain social distancing from other users
- Use hand sanitizer as needed (available in the lobby)

Phase Two

- Building has been sanitized and cleaned with hospital-grade disinfectant
- Services will be Sundays at 11am
- 6pm Prayer service, Small groups, Bible studies may meet while maintaining social distance
- Children and Youth activities will be outdoors. In inclement weather, activities are indoors while observing social distance
- Nursery available (with some limitations)
- All attendees are encouraged to wear facemasks (disposable facemasks available at the lobby) while in the building
- Seating is spaced to maintain social distancing. During services, facemasks are not necessary
- Worship center entrance and exit marked separate doors
- Service length is 60 minutes or less

Guidelines for those attending:

- Same as Phase One unless CDC, federal and State guidelines change
- Changes will be communicated with the congregation

Phase Three

- Service Schedules, procedures, and activities return to normal
- Observation of updated CDC, federal, and state guidelines as warranted
- Maintain readiness to return to prior phases as warranted
- Continuation of online livestream services

In the event there is an attender with a positive case, the health department will be contacted, and those who attended will be asked to be tested and quarantine if needed.