



St. Andrew's United Church

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Restarting Life at St. Andrew's

The Board met on Wednesday, June 2, 2021 to discuss a start-up strategy for St. Andrew's and decided to proceed slowly and safely. Starting July 4, weekly outdoor worship begins throughout July and August (indoors if the weather is inclement) for a maximum of 50 people. Participants must register to attend worship before 4 pm on Friday by calling Susan or Jason in the church office. They must also follow COVID safety measures, which are posted on our website, as well as at the entrances to the church.

Beginning July 5, the Sanctuary will be open from 10 am to noon on weekdays for prayer and meditation. A staff person or volunteer will be in the Sanctuary to welcome visitors and to explain COVID guidelines. Outside groups have already booked space to hold workshops in the Friendship Room this summer. And on Sun. July 25 at 4 pm we will resume monthly Jazz Vespers. As always, volunteers will continue to come and go during the week to prepare food for Thursday's Express Lunch / Bread Ministry, and Friday's Meal-to-Go programs. You will also see our enthusiastic community gardeners tending and watering their plants, as well as the communal herb garden.

We are extremely excited about this gradual return to "normal" community life. With your help, we expect plans to go seamlessly. The Board and staff are committed to following all COVID guidelines to ensure your safety.