

REVISED COVID POLICY
GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH OF PLOVER
JUNE 12, 2023

The Covid Task Force and Church Council of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church have adopted the following revised Covid 19 policies.

Revised Policy:

- **Masks Optional.** All Church services, meetings, meals, events, and gatherings at the Church will be mask optional (affirmed, but not required).
- **Communion.** We will continue communion distribution around the table (coming forward to receive the elements); and also continue to offer communion kits to those who wish to use them for health/safety reasons, and we intentionally affirm their use. We will not yet offer communion by intinction until sometime in the future when the Worship Team and Church Council are comfortable making a change.
- **Singing.** Our Church Choir, Sunday School children, the Congregation, and others would be permitted to sing without masks or masks optional at any service.
- **Collection Plate.** We will not yet pass the collection plate, until sometime in the future when the Worship Team and Church Council are comfortable making a change.
- **Contact Activities.** We will resume handshakes during the greeting, along with other consensual contact. We acknowledge that we should at all times respect others' preference to refrain from physical touch at any time for any reason. Hand sanitizer will continue to be readily available.
- **Future Modifications Depending on Changing Circumstances.** Our policies continue to be subject to modifications depending on circumstances as they develop, such as new public health concerns. We will strive to seek recommendations from health professionals, and guidance from the CDC and other government agencies.
- **Self-Screening.** Members should continue to self-screen and assess their health status. We encourage all participants of in-person Good Shepherd activities to perform a self-screening for communicable diseases, following advice from your health professionals. This screening is based upon a concern for your health and the health of others.

Philippians 2:4

Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.