



Shepherd of the Cross Building Usage

UPDATED: Monday, August 24, 2020

Our building is open for use by the congregation (office hours and small group events) and Wonder Years preschool. Please note the following:

1. **Social distancing** is to be observed within the building. We highly encourage wearing of face masks.
2. **Congregational use remains restricted to sanctuary, narthex, fellowship area, and public restroom.**
 - a. When larger groups begin to utilize the building, we will open both restrooms. Until that time, we reserve one restroom for the safety of staff.
 - b. Fellowship area is open for congregational use *only* when not utilized by Wonder Years Preschool.
 - c. Office wing (including Sunday School Room and Youth Room) remains off-limits in order to protect staff workspaces and due to the small size of rooms where social distancing would be difficult.
 - d. Just because the building is open, does not mean that *all* events/meetings need to happen inside. We encourage outdoor gatherings as much as possible, especially for fellowship and larger groups.
3. **Please refrain from meeting with staff in the office wing** (main office, Pastor's office). Staff can meet you in the narthex and/or sanctuary space.
4. **It is the responsibility of any small group to disinfect following their event/meeting.**
 - a. All surfaces touched must be disinfected with a Lysol wipe
 - b. All rooms that have been occupied must be sprayed with Lysol spray
 - c. A staff member of SOTC *needs* to be present during the event to ensure that proper disinfecting protocol is followed.
5. To ensure cleaning/disinfecting of the building between congregational events and use by Wonder Years preschool, **there may be times in which the building remains closed for events/meetings.** Please remain flexible.
6. **Consider the coming weeks as a soft opening.** Based on how the upcoming weeks go, and based on the rate of COVID-19 in our area, we are looking to resume other larger gatherings.
 - a. Blended in-person/digital worship will begin *no sooner* than Sunday, September 20.
 - b. Other larger gatherings will not take place in the building until further notice.

Thank you, in advance, for your flexibility and patience. Questions? Talk to a Council member (Heather Allen, Daryl Eichelberger, Alice Pittman, Connie Stalheim, Amy Bakke, Mackenzie Gilbert, Barb Williams) or Pastor Aleese.