



# REGATHERING PHASE 2

At Lake Murray Baptist Church our desire is for the people of God to connect, commit, and then be commissioned to take the Gospel to the ends of the earth. An essential part of this vision is the weekly gathering of the body to worship through singing, preaching, and fellowship.

## THE PLAN

The regathering plan for Lake Murray Baptist Church will be a phased approach. As we evaluated this first phase, we considered three important elements:

1. The command of the Scriptures that the church not forsake the gathering together.
2. The health and safety of our members and community.
3. The recommendations of our Governor and health officials

On September 13th, we will re-gather as a congregation at Lake Murray Baptist Church. We will offer three identical service times. An 8:15AM & 11:15AM service in the Worship Center, and a 9:45AM service in the Student Building. Having three services across two buildings will allow us to properly clean, sanitize, and prepare each facility between services and also to appropriately manage each service's capacity.

## PARTICIPATION LIMITATION

In the second phase of our re-gathering, we will be limiting the attendance of our services to 20% of each facilities capacity. Chairs will be spread out throughout the facility in groups of anywhere from 2-5 seats. Each row will be appropriately distanced from other rows. During this first phase of re-gathering we ask that only families and those sharing a household plan to share rows.

## KIDS, STUDENTS, & CONNECT GROUPS

We will offer children's programming for ages 0-4 during the 8:15AM worship service. We will limit the capacity of these rooms to best protect our kids and volunteers. In order to help our volunteers and leaders, we are asking parents to pre-register their child for childcare during this service. You can do this as a part of your worship service registration. Our student ministry and 5th/6th grade ministry will begin meeting on Wednesday Sept. 16th. For more information about these gatherings go to [www.lakemurraybc.org/students](http://www.lakemurraybc.org/students). During phase II, some of our Adult Connect Groups will begin meeting in a limited capacity. Because of the varying needs of each group, some groups will be able to re-gather while others will continue to gather virtually. For more information about Adult Connect Groups visit [www.lakemurraybc.org/ministries/adults](http://www.lakemurraybc.org/ministries/adults)

# ONLINE WORSHIP EXPERIENCE

We will continue to offer an online worship experience at 9:30AM Sunday mornings on our website, YouTube, and Facebook page. These are meant to serve those in our congregation who are most vulnerable to the virus or are perhaps uncomfortable with re-gathering during this first phase.

## What Should I Do To Attend A Service?

1. Pre-Register – We ask that you sign up ahead of time for the service time you plan to attend at our church website. By registering, you help us to safely manage each service's attendance capacity. If a service you attempt to pre-register for is at capacity, please select and register for another service time. You can pre-register for any of our worship services by going to [lakemurraybc.org/regathering](http://lakemurraybc.org/regathering) and following the registration instructions.
2. Be Respectful – Please make sure that you help us care for one another by adhering to recommended social distancing practices. If you feel more comfortable wearing a mask, we encourage you to do so. Help us to keep each other healthy by staying home if you're sick.
3. Be Flexible – Be prepared for these initial re-gatherings to be a bit different than what we are regularly accustomed to. We ask you to be patient and gracious with our pastors, staff and volunteers as they seek to address the unique challenges re-gathering presents. You can help us by being flexible with what service you plan to attend and by abiding by the recommendations that have been offered.

## OTHER

- Cleaning – Facilities will be cleaned between services by our janitorial service and volunteers. All surfaces will be cleaned and sanitized before and after each service. Our facility will be cleaned and sanitized according to the CDC guidelines established in response to COVID-19 Coronavirus. Masks and sanitizer will be made available in the building lobbies.
- Service Elements - Each service would be approximately 45-60 minutes in length and include worship, teaching, prayer, and announcements.
- Offering – We will not be passing the offering plate during Phase One of re-gathering. The offering will be collected by ushers at the exits of each building at the end of each service.
- Check-In – When you and your family arrive on campus, you will be asked to check-in at the entrance in order to help us manage attendance and capacity.

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