

## **JOIN US FOR IN-PERSON WORSHIP**

We're excited that we have resumed in-person worship, and we hope that those of you who would like to worship with us will do so in keeping with these safety guidelines so that we can express genuine love toward one another. The Session has prayed, discussed, and evaluated pertinent aspects of the COVID-19 pandemic. With continued emphasis on congregational safety, **effective April 25**, the Session has approved the following guidelines designed to ease some of the earlier requirements:

- If you are not feeling well or have flu-like symptoms, please stay home and worship online with us.
- Wearing masks on HPC property is optional. For Worship Services, a separate designated seating area will be available for those who wish to worship with only people wearing masks.
- Seating will continue to be socially distanced appropriately. Continuing social distancing outside is also recommended.
- Pre-Registration for Worship Services is no longer required.
- Bibles and Hymnals will be returned to pews in the Sanctuary.
- Weekly bulletins will be printed and available for distribution at Sunday Worship Services.
- Children 3rd grade and under are welcome to participate in a socially distanced Children's Church beginning after the children's message.

Factors driving the easing of earlier COVID-19 requirements include the wide availability of vaccines and the overall pandemic status in Georgia and locally. Please direct any questions/concerns you may have to an Elder or your shepherd. We do hope that everyone understands that we believe these relaxed pandemic-related procedures will continue to provide the best protection for the Highlands family.

HPC Pastors and Session