

What to Expect in Worship

Masks are no longer required – however, masks are welcome! We respect the choice of individuals and families who choose to continue to wear them. As always, any time you are feeling unwell, please join us for worship online.

Seating options –

- **In the Sanctuary**, you'll find unrestricted seating on the pulpit side of the sanctuary. The piano side offers distanced seating set at every other pew.
- **In Luther Hall**, seating is casual – please allow a respectful space between families as everyone adjusts to a changing health environment.

Children are always welcome in worship at Gloria Dei – even when they get the wiggles. We love kids of all ages and encourage families to sit up front so children can see everything. If your little ones need more wiggle space, a cozy area with quiet toys for young children can be found near the sanctuary entrance. This space, just behind the glass windows, allows parents and guardians to monitor their children and still participate in worship.

Passing of the Peace – some people will be ready for handshakes and others will not. If you're not comfortable shaking hands, offer an elbow... if you're not yet ready for contact, share a peace sign. Please be mindful of the recipient when passing the peace and seek to do something that is comfortable to both parties.

Offering can be made in many ways:

- **Gifts may be placed in the offering plates** at the front of the church when you come up for communion;
- **a one-time or recurring electronic donation can be set up online.** Visit our website at www.gloriadeiolympia.org and click on the Online Donations button;
- to **Give by Text**, text the amount you want to give to: 833-612-6015. First-time users will be asked to associate a debit or credit card to use for text donations.

Communion Distribution occurs at both services. Ushers will provide direction and assistance for those with limited mobility.

Sunday School and Fellowship Hour – at 10:00. Sunday School is family-style, so everyone can participate together. And coffee will be available for fellowship with friends.