

## **About Outdoor Worship**

- The services will be "drive-ins." Participants will remain in their cars throughout the service.
- There are 70 parking spaces available. **We encourage you to register in advance.** A registration is included in Friday emails for two weeks before the date of the service. It should also be available on the website Worship page.
- The Order of Service is available on the registration page, through Friday emails, and on the Worship page. **Please download the Order of Service** and save it on your tablet or phone, or print it out ahead of time and bring it with you to the service. The Order of Service will include hymns, scripture readings, a brief message, and more.
- Audio will be delivered over an FM station. When you arrive, the parking
  attendants will be holding signs indicating the correct station to use that morning.
  You can tune to the station when you arrive and listen to preservice music. NOTE
  that there might be static during the service. This is a radio station, not a feed
  through the internet.
- Parking attendants will direct cars into the available parking spaces.
- At the end of the service, **when it is time for distribution**, parking attendants will direct cars to drive toward the cabana/tent where the communion elements will be distributed. Wait for your turn before leaving your parking space.
- Drivers: As you approach the distribution area, put your hand outside your car window and indicate, with your fingers, the number of communicants in your car (i.e., 2 fingers = 2 communicants). The communion elements will be distributed in individually sealed packets, and we need to know how many packets to have available for each car as it drives up.
- When it is your turn to receive the communion packet(s), the Communion Assistants will hand you a paper bag with the sealed communion packet(s) inside. Communion Assistants will be wearing gloves and masks.
- **If you wish to leave an offering**, you may hand your envelope to the Communion Assistants.
- After you receive the communion packet(s) but before consuming the elements, pull your car up toward the cabana/tent where Pastor Johann is standing. After you have driven up a ways, you may stop to consume the elements.

- On the worship page is a link to a video with a demonstration of **how to open the communion packet**. (Please be patient; the video might take a minute or two to download.)
- Each sealed packet includes a wafer and grape juice. Pull back the top of the packet (it's about the size of a small nondairy creamer cup) to find the wafer. Note that the covering over the wafer is extremely thin and can be a little tricky to pull back at first. Remove the wafer and place it in your mouth. Then pull back the second tab (what the wafer was sitting on) to open the portion of the packet that holds the juice. Drink the juice.
- You can use the paper bag for disposing of the empty cup and the pull-back tabs.
- After you consume the communion elements and as the flow of cars allows, continue toward the cabana/tent where Pastor Johann will be standing.
- Pastor Johann will dismiss the people in each car with a blessing.
- After you receive the blessing, please depart from the service and leave the parking lot.

We joyously look forward to this opportunity to worship together. Be sure to join us for our virtual worship service on Sunday morning, too!