



## Christ Church of Arlington COVID-19 Health & Safety Policy Update October 7, 2021

Dear CCA,

I'm writing on behalf of the Session with an update about our COVID practices. We met last night to discuss our policy in light of further developments.

Encouraged by declining case and hospitalization rates in Arlington County since mid-September and increased vaccination rates in the county and our congregation, we will resume our "two zone swap" beginning on October 17. One floor will still be designated as masks required, and the other floor as masks recommended but not required. Because we have resumed nursery care, the nursery will also be a mask required area for all age of 2 and over.

We recognize we have a multi-layered approach for Covid at our church to reduce the spread of disease and lower the risk of exposure through use of higher efficiency ventilation system filters, physical distancing, wearing face masks, hand hygiene, vaccination, and above all a Sovereign Lord abounding in steadfast love.

We continue to ask for patience and prayer for both our church and other churches facing the same challenges. We continue to encourage people to worship with us at the church and to bear with one another. We also encourage continued "faith, hope, and love" (1 Corinthians 13) toward each other and the church. May God pour out his richest blessings into our community, through His Spirit, in Christ.

Pastor Billy