



When will we restart in-person services?

Our Response to COVID-19 – Effective Sunday, July 12, 2020, Mt. Calvary Holy Church of Deliverance, physically reopened its doors for 11:30 a.m. in-sanctuary worship service.

According to Mayor Bowser's Press Release dated Friday, June 19, 2020, the District of Columbia moved into Phase 2 reopening effective Monday, June 22, 2020. Phase 2 reopening encourages Houses of Worship to continue to offer online services. However, in-Sanctuary services of up to 50 percent (50%) of the capacity of the space where the service is occurring or one hundred (100) persons, whichever is fewer, is permitted.

Prior to the Phase 2 reopening as well as now, I have prayed, and I continue to seek the Lord for His guidance and I also asked you to join me in prayer. The Lord has allowed me to know that it is now time for us to come back into the House of the Lord. Therefore, I asked that you please join me for 11:30 a.m. in-Sanctuary services on Sundays at Mt. Calvary.

As you come into the lobby area of the Church, I ask that you please adhere to the detail guidance that will be given to you concerning seating in the Sanctuary. You are asked to continue the practice of good citizenship to include social distancing, washing hands often, wearing gloves, and masks. A face shield will also be provided to you upon your arrival to the Church. The Church has been professionally cleaned and sanitized. The on-site Church cleaning staff is asked to exercise due diligence in ensuring that the Sanctuary and other facilities of the Church remain appropriately sanitized throughout the day on Sundays, as well as on a weekly basis. Also, passing or sharing of items are discouraged. Remember, if you feel ill, please stay at home.

Additionally, effective Monday, September 21, 2020, Mayor Bowser issued Order 2020-081 with requirements for all people traveling into Washington, DC, from high-risk states. Anyone coming into Washington, DC from a high-risk state who traveled for non-essential activities is required to self-quarantine for 14 days from their arrival in the District. Individuals traveling from high-risk states after essential travel or arriving in the District for essential travel are required to self-monitor for symptoms of COVID-19 for 14 days and, if they show signs or experience symptoms of COVID-19, they are to self-quarantine and seek medical advice or testing.

High-risk states that require 14 days of self-quarantine: Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, North Carolina, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, West Virginia, Wisconsin, and Wyoming. Travel to and from Maryland and Virginia is exempt from the Order. This list should be used until Monday, October 5, 2020.

I pray that you continue to join the virtual bible study classes and worship services as you are advised. I also encourage you to stay connected to our Savior through prayer, fasting, scripture reading, and devotion as He heals our land. I will inform you of worship services and schedule changes. In the meantime, I am closely monitoring guidance concerning the Coronavirus (COVID-19) received from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) as communicated through our local government and will keep you informed of any necessary changes.

God bless you and your family!

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