

In-Person Sunday Service Option

Commencing November 7

First Unitarian Congregation of Toronto

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Having consulted with our safety advisory committee, and considering the current state of Covid statistics and public health guidelines, the staff, Board and Executive Committee have agreed on a plan to offer in-person Sunday services and a modified RE program as an option for those who wish to attend. **This option will commence on November 7, 2021**, alongside our continuing online options.

Those of us who choose to gather in person are entering into a covenant with one another. We will be operating as described below and we will require everyone's cooperation to do so. As circumstances continue to develop, we will monitor public health guidance and adjust as appropriate.

Protocols for Attending In-Person Services

- Attendees will be required to **pre-register online each time** they wish to attend. Register at FirstUnitarianToronto.org/register-for-in-person
 - This will help ensure we can accommodate everyone with distanced seating
 - Registration data will also enable contact tracing if the need arises
- Every person attending the Sunday Service must be fully vaccinated and will be asked to show their vaccine certificate when they arrive. If you are unable to be vaccinated for any reason, or if you forget your vax card, please meet us in the Zoom room!
- No one should enter if they are experiencing any Covid symptoms
- Greeters will be at the front door to confirm registered attendees from a list, request proof of vaccination status (which will be recorded for faster future reference) and resolve any difficulties with admission.
- Ministers will also greet people arriving; ministers will be masked and outside, weather permitting. Please put on your mask as soon as you arrive.
- Greeters and Ministers will model a "please keep your distance" style of interaction.
- Once inside, people will be seated in household "bubbles" separated by 6 feet.
- We will be keeping windows open for ventilation, so please dress accordingly!

Worship

- Worship service in Sunderland Hall
- Simultaneously broadcast for online viewers
- We will consider if Workman Hall could be used for overflow if demand is high over time
- Soloist and pianist performances; no choir for now – but humming is ok!

RE and Other Activities

- One-room-schoolhouse RE for children aged 5+
- No nursery
- Children will proceed directly to the RE room without entering Sunderland
- No social/coffee gathering or lingering inside after service
- No meetings after service for now ... we will consider as time goes on
- Receiving line outside the front entrance after the service
- The office will be closed