

**Ordination
Paul Guilmette**

on Saturday, the eleventh day of July
in the Year of our Lord Two Thousand Twenty

Your prayers are requested.

**Due to COVID-19 restrictions on gatherings, this
ordination service is not open to the public.**

We will be streaming it on our youtube channel.

*You may access it at Christ Episcopal Church Ballston Spa NY youtube
Or through our website.*

NOAH'S ATTIC IS OPEN

Restrictions will still be in place

Sunday & Monday Closed
Tuesday 9:30a.m.-3:00p.m.
Wednesday 9:30a.m.- 4:00p.m.
Thursday 9:30a.m.- 4:00p.m.
Friday 9:30a.m.-3:00p.m.
Saturday 9:30a.m. - 2:30p.m.

Donations are by appointment only.

Please call 518-885-9455

KidsFirst is open and able to enroll children. Please call 518-309-3540.

The **Food Pantry** is OPEN. If you need food, please stop by. The food Pantry is located behind the church.

Hours are:

M, W, TH, F 10-noon.

They are also open Wednesday evening from 5-6pm.

Our Reopening Plan for Worship

Time: 8am; 10am; 5pm

Reopening will be a bit awkward at first, but we need to start someplace and as time moves forward, we will be able to remove more and more of the restrictions placed on our reopening by the Governor and Bishop. Our “Reopening Team” of Alan Greenspan (chairperson) Bonnie Hall, Megan Lovelace, Rebecca Grugan, Kristin McCabe, Deacon Bill Pearson and myself have been working hard to come up with a plan that complies with the restrictions given by the Governor and Bishop and most importantly to keep everyone safe.

These are some of the required restrictions as of this writing:

1. 25% occupancy - which means we can have 50-60 people. We do not anticipate a problem of having to turn people away at our 8am or 5pm service; however, the 50-60 people limit could be problematic at our 10am service, thus that service will be live streamed and any overflow will be able to view the service in our parish hall and receive communion.
2. Masks will be required. This is mandated by the Governor and Bishop. We will provide a mask if you do not have one.
3. Seating will be done by ushers who will be trained to seat folks honoring the 6 feet social distancing requirement.
4. NO singing. To begin, our music will be instrumental. Apparently singing spreads the potentially infectious droplets up to 27 feet.
5. The Prayer Books, Bibles and Hymnals will be removed from the church to prevent possible infection. The worship service will be displayed on the screen or you may bring in your own Prayer Book or Bible.
6. Offering - the offering will not be taken by passing the plates. Instead, an offering plate will be placed in the rear of the church near the baptismal font to accept your offering.
7. Peace Exchange – Sad for Peg and us all that the peace will be offered by word, but NO hugs or handshakes.
8. Holy water at the entrance will be removed for the time being.
9. Holy Communion – for now, only the Bread will be distributed for Holy Communion. No wine will be offered until that restriction is removed. To receive communion, people must disinfect their hands at their pew and then with their mask on proceed up the central aisle to the base of the steps (by the piano). You will then receive the communion in your hands, head back to your seat by the side aisles, and then lower your mask to consume the sacrament at your seat.

- 10.** Exiting the Church – Both doors will be open. It is the committee's hope that people will enter via the Welcome Center, and if possible, exit the door that is usually not used, the door to the right as you face the back of the church. People with physical limitations may still exit through the Welcome Center.
- 11.** There will be volunteer cleaners who, after the 8 and 10am worship services, will come in to disinfect the Sanctuary, entrances and bathrooms.
- 12.** Pastoral Concerns – If there is a pastoral concern you have and would like to talk with the clergy, one of the clergy will stand in the Welcome Center off to the side (sadly no greeting people as they leave)
- 13.** NO coffee hour or gathering in the parish hall.
- 14.** NO nursery, but hopefully this will change soon.
- 15.** Disinfectant, sanitizers and signs to help guide you will be throughout the buildings.