

Drouin Baptist Church

Checklist for Church Attendees Returning to In-Person Services

Below are a series of steps to consider taking on the actual day you return to an in-person church service. Think through and anticipate what it might look like to implement each step. Mentally visualizing and rehearsing what it might be like will help you be better prepared for comfortably and safely reentering church again. This isn't an exhaustive list but can help you plan for your (wise and joyful!) return to church.

✓	Checklist for Church Attendees
At Home	
	Pray for your church, leadership, and yourself.
	Check your phone, email, and church website for any important notifications and information.
	Make sure you have a mask with you, and have sanitizer with you before leaving for an in-person church service.
	Wash your hands before leaving and after returning home from church.
Assess Your Health	
	Stay home if you are showing possible signs or symptoms of illness (e.g., fever), have recently been sick, or if others you are staying with are or were recently showing signs or symptoms.
	Stay home if you or others you are staying with may have recently been exposed to someone suspected or diagnosed with COVID-19.
	If you or others you are staying with start to show signs or symptoms of COVID-19 after attending an in-person church service, consult a healthcare professional and notify your church leadership.
In Church Car Park	
	Mentally prepare and ready yourself for social distancing.

	Remember you and others will likely be excited to be together again and that you will need to be intentional in order to observe safety actions.
	Use hand sanitizer before exiting your vehicle and again after the service before you head home.
	Observe social distancing recommendations even while exiting and entering your vehicle, making sure to give space to others as they are exiting or entering their vehicles.
	Be sure to maintain recommended distancing with others as you walk through the car park to the church building and when returning to your vehicle.
In the Church Foyer	
	Be prepared that your details are a requirement for attendance, electronically or manually. Your name and contact number are required to be kept on private record for 28days.
	Be alert to instructions from church leaders and volunteers providing guidance.
	Look and listen for COVID-19-related instructions and resources (e.g., announcements, posters).
	Try to observe social distancing recommendations when entering or exiting doorways, waiting spaces (e.g., foyer, toilets).
	Remember to be patient and gracious with others.
In Worship Area	
	Follow the instructions, procedures, and policies church is implementing (such as changes in seating arrangements, communion, offering, etc.).
	Remember to observe physical distancing from others outside your household, both during the service and when interacting.
	Decide whether or not you will wear a mask to sing. Current Government advice permits singing without a mask, although it is recommended that singing is safest when wearing one.
	Avoid touching your eyes, nose, mouth, face.
	Avoid “high touch” activities (e.g., greeting with a handshake, passing a collection plate from person to person).
	Avoid touching “high touch” surfaces where possible (e.g. door handles, pens, etc.).