



*God be in my head, and in my understanding;  
God be in mine eyes, and in my looking;  
God be in my mouth, and in my speaking;  
God be in my heart, and in my thinking...*

Dear St. John's family and friends,

March 8, 2022

Good news! Last Friday the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention relaxed mask recommendations for most of the country. Data provided by the CDC on March 3 indicates US Covid 19 Community Levels in Lancaster County are low. With this in mind, we will be easing our masking policy beginning this Sunday, March 6. Masking at the 8:00 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. services will be optional. This change in policy also extends to all areas of St. John's campus. People may choose to mask at any time, and we will continue to have masks available in the atrium and hand sanitizer in the pews. People with symptoms, a positive test, or exposure to someone with COVID-19 should wear a mask and should stay home.

For the time being, communion will continue in bread only. Please know that we are exploring options to safely begin to partake from the common cup soon. At the passing of the peace, we ask that you use your discretion and consider the nonverbal cues of your neighbors when sharing God's peace.

Finally, please join us in the parish hall this Sunday as we return to fellowship with coffee hour hosted by the Knouse and Trenary families. Coffee hour will be available between the services and following the 10:15 a.m. service. If you are interested in hosting coffee hour on a Sunday morning, please sign up in the Parish Hall. Our monthly parish breakfasts will resume on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of April.

I look forward to seeing your smiling faces as we worship together this Sunday.

God's peace,

*Amanda*

**GROW IN GOD, ACT IN SERVICE, WITNESS IN LOVE**

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