

Dear Ones,

It is with joy that we announce ST. JOHN'S WILL REOPEN FOR PUBLIC WORSHIP ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, WITH HOLY EUCHARIST IN THE COURTYARD.

As you may recall, we had intended a reopening on July 5. In view of the sharply increasing number of cases in Norman and across Oklahoma at that time, the vestry decided that it was not prudent, in considering the safety of our congregation. Since that time, there has been a decline in cases in Norman, and we have decided that we may proceed cautiously with gathering for Eucharist.

As we mentioned above, our services will be in the courtyard. We will offer the Holy Eucharist Rite One at 7:30 AM, and the Holy Eucharist Rite Two at 9:30 AM. All precautions required by the Diocese of Oklahoma and public health officials will be observed.

We will ask you to wear a mask. If you do not bring one from home, we will provide one. We will ask you to sanitize your hands when you arrive. We will observe appropriate physical distancing. The service will be printed on disposable leaflets. Holy Communion will be administered as the Bread only.

One thing will be a little unusual. In order to minimize contact with surfaces, we will invite you to bring lawn chairs from home, If you don't have any, we will provide chairs for you.

We all look forward to an end to our long fast from this great Sacrament of Unity. "Let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together . . ."—Hebrews 10:25a

In Christ's abiding love,

Stephanie Abla
Senior Warden

The Rev. John Borrego
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