

## Crosspoint Church – Connecting Safely Plan

**Purpose:** To summarize protocols, processes, and social guidelines that ensures the safety of all church attendees and staff during weekly Sunday gatherings.

Guiding Principles:

- Continually pray for wisdom and direction to guide our decision-making.
- Follow guidance of national, state, and regional guidelines.
- Feasible, practical, acceptable implementation that is tailored to the needs and traditions of our community.

*To keep it simple - Keep everyone as safe as possible and create an environment to meet together in person as long as possible.*

### Summary:

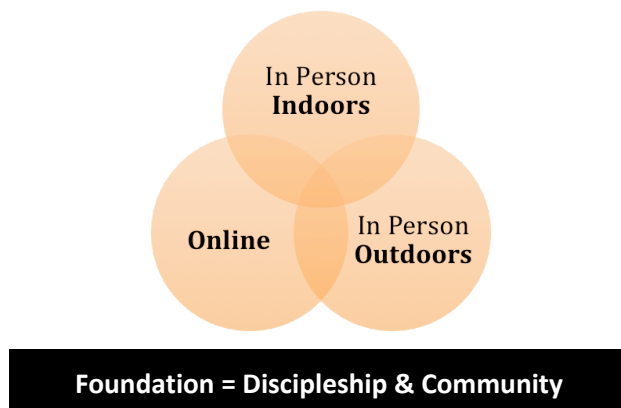
Our team continues to study updated literature on COVID-19, as well as review national and state government agencies' information and updates.

The details for worship are listed below under [Exciting Worship Opportunities and Details](#).

We are providing children's ministry with limited capacity.

Dedicated space for diaper changing and nursing mothers is available.

### Crosspoint Church Campus Worship Options



### **Option 1- In Person, Indoors @ Williston Campus 237 Commerce Street.**

We continue to have two services at 237 Commerce St., Williston Campus @ 9 am and 11 am each Sunday.

**The maximum number of people in each service is 70.**

If you would like to ensure a guaranteed seat in the building, you must sign up on our website.

We will also continue to have a speaker outside for those who would like to listen, weather permitting (more details below).

Sign Up Details:

- The sign up is very easy and right on the church website.
- Sign up will close at 0700 AM each Sunday.
- Sign up will close for each service if the total capacity is reached.
- If you are unable to sign up, you will be asked to wait to be seated until all attendees are seated.
- Children's ministry is limited to 9 children. Sign up is required in advance.
- If you have any questions, you can reach Andrew West at [andrew@crosspointvt.org](mailto:andrew@crosspointvt.org)

Please check guidelines listed below for in person safety and protocols we will follow at the Williston Campus.

### **Option 2- In Person, Outdoors @ Williston Campus 237 Commerce Street.**

At the end of our family parking area, we will have speakers set up for those who would like to get out, see other people, and still worship with us. There are no limits on this; however, we must still practice social distancing. **This option is weather permitting.**

UPDATE: As of 07/19/20 we have the radio station 87.9 that will play both services live within a radius of the building that covers the parking lot. On days weather doesn't allow for tailgating, feel free to stay in your car to listen to service, and still have the ability to socially connect before and after while following outlined social distancing guidelines.

### **Option 3- Online Campus.**

If you aren't able to come to worship at the Williston Location, you will not fall behind. This is exciting! Online is available starting at 10 AM every Sunday, and is accessible anytime after this via our Facebook or YouTube channel!

### **Other ways to stay connected!**

#### **Discipleship: Journey Groups**

Journey Groups can resume meeting as long as they stay within the guidelines given by the State of Vermont and the CDC.

If you are interested in a Journey group, or would like to know what they are about, reach out to Dr. Sherry Keller, who is our Journey Groups Coordinator: [sherry@crosspointvt.org](mailto:sherry@crosspointvt.org) Our desire is that eventually, EVERYONE will be in or leading a Journey Group!

#### **Community: E-Groups.**

E-Groups are in place to encourage you and to help you build community, regardless of circumstances in our world today. These groups are not discipleship groups etc.. they exist to encourage one another in this journey called life. E-Groups meet at the designated time of your particular E-Group, and you link up and spend 20-30 min just encouraging one another. This is usually through Zoom, Skype, Facebook Messenger etc. It has been life changing for many!

Check it out and sign up today on our website!

### **Got Questions, Here is Who to Contact:**

If you have any questions regarding Worship Times or Technical Questions Contact Andrew West at [andrew@crosspointvt.org](mailto:andrew@crosspointvt.org).

If you have questions regarding safety or policies and procedures, please contact our Operations Coordinator, Daniel Hudson, at [daniel@crosspointvt.org](mailto:daniel@crosspointvt.org).

For all other general questions please write to [crosspointvt@gmail.com](mailto:crosspointvt@gmail.com).

## Details for In Person Worship

### In person attendee expectations:

- Be free of any symptoms of COVID-19 or other diseases of high consequence for 24 hours prior to entry according to the Vermont Department of Health Website:  
<https://www.healthvermont.gov/response/coronavirus-covid-19>
- Wear a cloth mask/face covering while inside the building at all times.
  - This does not apply to children under 2 years old or individuals who cannot safely tolerate.
- Practice safe hand hygiene – clean hands upon entering and exiting the building, as well as anytime needed.
- Practice appropriate and reasonable social distancing with individuals.
- Individuals with higher risk for severe illness should consider continuing to engage in outdoor and/or virtual opportunity.

### Entry Process:

- Assigned greater #1 will be at the front door (wearing mask).
- Attendees will sign in and enter once approved by greater.
  - Attendees will wait on the sidewalk or within the entrance and maintain appropriate social distancing.
  - Tents will be provided for coverage if needed.
- Assigned greater #2 will explain seating process and direct attendee(s) to appropriate and designated location within worship area.

### Seating:

- Chairs will be set in groups of 3, with appropriate distance between each set to ensure infection control mitigation.
- Chairs may be moved (1 to 2) to create a set of 4-5 if attendee group is together AND social distancing remains realistic.
- Tape will remain on the floor to indicate each chair set and to maintain reasonable social distancing.
- Chair sets will be reset to 3 after each gathering.

### In-service processes:

- Attendees should remain in their seating area unless there is an urgent need.
- Urgent needs include:
  - Restroom
  - Children Support for restroom or diapers
  - Nursing mothers
  - Health related needs

#### Exit Process:

- The speaking pastor will end gathering and dismiss attendees by section, starting with section closest to main exit.
- Attendees will remain in their seating section until dismissed.
- Attendees are encouraged to perform hand hygiene prior to exiting the building.
- Attendees will exit and maintain social distancing while outside of the building.

#### Tithes and Offerings:

- A collection box will be placed by the guest services counter.
- Attendees can place tithes and offerings in the collection box either when entering or while exiting.

#### Parking:

- Attendees that are able to walk are encouraged to park in the lot directly across the street.
- Attendees that are new, families with small children, or those that require extra assistance/time may park in the limited spots near the entrance to the church building (see drawing).

#### Children's Ministry:

- Masks will be worn at all times.
- A maximum of 9 children are approved in the dedicated ministry area.
- Advance Sign-up is required.

#### Outdoor "drive in" option:

- The end section of the parking lot will be dedicated to attendees that wish to hear service from outside.
- This option will be weather permitting.
- Attendees can park and either listen from their car or enjoy the service while using their own portable seating.

#### Infection Control Plan:

- Information on social distancing, hand hygiene, and limiting the spread of diseases of high consequence will be provided to attendees through posted signs, information sheets, and other virtual media modalities.
- All high touch surfaces, including chairs, will be cleaned prior to each in person gathering, including in between each one, as well as frequently throughout the week.
  - If church/space is utilized for any other purpose other than Sunday gatherings, cleaning will occur daily or before each planned use.
- Bleach or any combination of water/bleach or any disinfectant approved by the CDC will be utilized to clean all high touch surfaces, including door handle, chairs, and bathrooms.
- Hand sanitizer will be readily available to attendees for hand hygiene when entering and exiting, as well as whenever else needed.
- All trash bins will be touch free.
- No reusable items will be available for attendees such as pens, crayons, etc.

- For sign in purposes, all pens will be separated from not used and used; used will be disinfected after each use.
- Coffee and water room will remain closed.
- All church staff and volunteers will wear face masks/coverings while in building except for:
  - Worship team during worship
  - Prayer lead during corporate prayer time
  - Pastor while preaching
- Ventilation system for space will be increased, as appropriate, including opening of windows and placement of fans if weather permitting.
- Air purifiers will be placed throughout the building.
- If any attendee or staff member is known to become sick with COVID-19, church leadership will notify the Vermont Department of Health (VDH) and follow guidance as directed.
  - Notify staff and congregants of any potential COVID-19 exposure, being sure to maintain the confidentiality of individual.
  - Close off areas that sick individual used until guidance is provided by VDH.
  - Wait at least 24 hours until cleaning/disinfecting areas, or as directed by VDH.
- These infection control and containment measures will be used in combination with available CDC and VDH guidelines as they are updated frequently. These can be accessed at:
  - CDC: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>
  - VDH: <https://www.healthvermont.gov/response/coronavirus-covid-19>

