

## Additional Resources:

### **WA State Religious Guidelines for phases 1, 2 and 3**

[https://www.governor.wa.gov/sites/default/files/Phase 1-3 - Religious and faith-based orgs FINAL\\_6 18 2020.pdf](https://www.governor.wa.gov/sites/default/files/Phase%201-3%20-%20Religious%20and%20faith-based%20orgs%20FINAL_6%2018%202020.pdf)

### **King County guidance for community organizations**

<https://www.kingcounty.gov/depts/health/covid-19/community-faith-organizations/FAQ.aspx>

### **CDC guidance for community and faith-based organizations**

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus>

### **World Council of Churches guidance for churches**

<https://www.oikoumene.org/en/resources/resources/documents/overcoming-the-covid-19-pandemic-with-faith-communities-some-guidance-for-churches/>

### **Church of the Brethren guidance for congregations**

<https://covid19.brethren.org/guidance-for-congregations/>

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## **Olympic View Community Church**

**425 NE 95th St**

**Seattle, WA 98115**

**206-525-8900**

**<http://olympicchurch.org/COVID>**

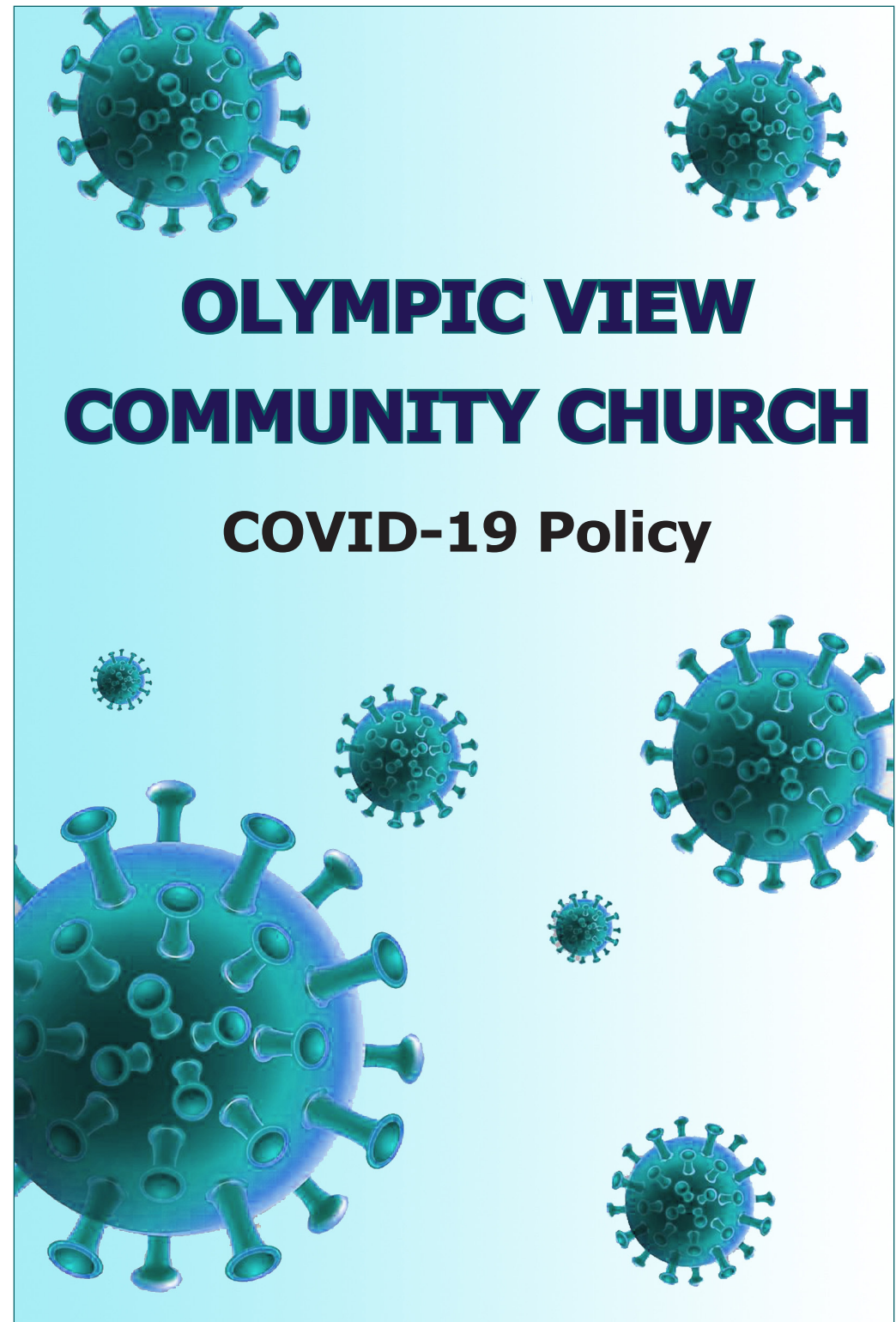
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## **Church Protocol for Use of the Sanctuary in Support of Phase 2 Policy**

- When attending a worship service, the entrance on the 5th avenue side by the church library will be used for entering and leaving the church.
- All attendees must be registered on an attendance log with contact info
  - This will show that the total count of attendees less than 50
  - This will enable us to contact all attendees if a person tests positive for COVID
- Church greeter will check temperatures and potential symptoms of each person as they arrive
- Church will mark seating to maintain a 6-foot distance for seats in all directions. Family members may sit together
- Church will require face masks inside the church building at all times
  - Attendees need to bring and wear their own face masks
  - The church will provide single-use face masks for those who do not bring their own
  - Medical grade masks are preferred for vulnerable individuals and people over 60
- Church will provide hand sanitizer in the narthex and access to bathrooms for hand-washing
  - Hand sanitizer will be 70% alcohol
  - No more than two people in the bathroom at the same time
  - Social distancing must be maintained by staying 6 feet apart in bathrooms
- Janitorial schedule requires wipe down of following areas between services:
  - Pulpit and lecterns
  - Microphones
  - Soundboard
  - Wooden edges of pews
  - Seating areas of pews that were used during the service
  - Bathrooms: with a antimicrobial towelette or ethanol spray, wipe:
    - Door handle (outside)
    - Door handle (inside)
    - Faucets in sink
    - Toilet handles
    - Bathroom stall latches
    - Bathroom stall doors
    - Waste can lids

## **Additional Church Policies to Prevent Spread of COVID-19**

- Communion will be prepared with single servings that are sealed beforehand.
- Communion will be distributed using tongs or gloves.
- Passing of the peace must be from a distance, bow or gesture to the other person from 6 feet away.
- Weather permitting, open windows during the service to allow circulation of fresh air.
- The congregation will not be singing at this time as singing has been shown to be a very effective way to transmit of the COVID-9 virus.
- All bibles, hymnals, donation envelopes, pencils, etc. will be removed from the pew racks.
- If somebody tests positive for COVID-19 within 1 week of attending a service, the church will work with state contact tracers to identify and contact all attendees of that service.
- **IF YOU ARE SICK, PLEASE STAY HOME!**
- Church will provide a clinical IR thermometer (touchless) to test staff for fever.
- Church will provide training guidelines so procedures are consistent and clear.

## **Washington State COVID-19 Policy**

### **Phase 1 – Outdoor Services Are Permitted**

- Drive-in: people need to stay in their cars
- People need to maintain 6 foot distance at all times outdoors

### **Phase 2 – Indoor Services Are Permitted**

- Restricted to the lesser of: less than 25% capacity or less than 50 individuals (not counting staff)
- Strongly encouraged to keep an attendance log for contact tracing purposes
- Check staff for fever upon arrival at the church
- Always maintain 6-foot distance between all congregants
- Face coverings are required
- Handwashing supplies and gloves must be available
- Cleaning schedule must disinfect areas that have been touched and seating areas of occupied pews
- Staff Training

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