

## 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian Member Survey

Here are the results of the member survey that was sent out via email last week. 30 individuals responded, thank you. I have also added some personal notes to the questions. The survey is still available and we will look at any new surveys that come in in the next week or so. Please only fill out the survey one time.

### What is your perspective on the COVID-19 crisis?

	1	2	3	4	5	
Not a Crisis	1	2	8	14	5	A Catastrophe

Notes: There are varying opinions to the degree of the severity of COVID-19, but the majority sees it as a major issue.

### How would you rate the 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian's Response to the crisis?

4	-Not Good
4	-At Least we tried
4	-Good efforts to connect members, but not community ministry
16	-Good efforts to connect to membership and continue in community ministry

Notes: Most believe that the church has done a good job responding to the situation.

### Describe your attendance to Drive-In Church.

6	-None
5	-Once or Twice
4	-Semi Regular
15	-Regular

Notes: The drive-in service is consistently having between 22-40 individuals.

### How likely are you to attend Drive-in Church over the summer?

	1	2	3	4	5	
Not Likely	6	1	2	6	15	Likely

Notes: 21 of the 30 respondents are likely to attend the Drive-in service over the summer.

### Would you be more or less likely to attend Drive-In Church over the summer if it was earlier to avoid the heat?

	1	2	3	4	5	
Less Likely	4	1	12	8	5	More Likely

Notes: It appears as if the heat is going to be somewhat of an issue over the summer. The 8:30am suggestion might be too early.

### How likely are you to return to inside the building Sunday service if we reopened in June?

	1	2	3	4	5	
Not Likely	4	7	8	3	8	Very Likely

Notes: 11 of the 30 respondents would likely attend an indoor service. Compare that to the 21 for the Drive-in.

### How likely are you to return to inside the building Sunday service if we reopened in July?

	1	2	3	4	5	
Not Likely	5	3	6	9	7	Very Likely

Notes: Waiting until July only brings the number of people likely to attend an indoor service up to 16; half the respondents. It is interesting that 1 more person gave the 'Not Likely' response.

**Session has been looking at multiple factors when trying to determine the safety of returning to inside worship. Which factor(s) are most important to you? Check the boxes next to the factors you find important.**

- 13 -CDC Recommendations
- 20 -State Recommendations
- 12 -Group Size Limitations
- 7 -Denominational Recommendations
- 18 -New Infection Rates
- 9 -COVID-19 Testing
- 6 -Anti-Body Rates
- 17 -Availability of Sanitation Supplies
- 21 -An Official 1<sup>st</sup> Pres Policy on Sanitation, Building Use and Social Distancing

Notes: The number one response is policy. Session created a task team that presented a draft policy to session Sunday for review. Even when said policy is in place and communicated, there will be disagreement over whether the policy went too far or not far enough.

The other 4 responses that had at least half the votes are: State Recommendations, New Infection Rates & Availability of Sanitation Supplies. State recommendations need to be studied closely. At this moment, the state is giving guidelines as to how a church can go back to in person sanctuary worship. However, it is recommending that we don't. The state is allowing large weddings and funerals; but recommending that we don't have them. New Infection Rates have been trending down, but there is a serious question as to how much time is needed to indicate actual change. Sanitation Supplies are available. Though you often need to buy whatever option you can and not necessarily the type or brand you would like.

**It is possible to have our adult elective class meet as a hybrid of in-person and online. Meaning you would have the option of taking part in the class on Zoom or in-person, in Fellowship Hall. If we did this....**

- 6 -I would attend in-person
- 4 -I would attend on Zoom, at least for now
- 20 -I don't typically attend the adult elective

Notes: This hybrid possibility is being investigated. If at all possible, we will do this.

**Here are a few questions session has been considering for when we return to indoor worship. Please give your opinion on them.**

Yes	No	
8	22	Coffee Hour
6	24	Church Dinners
11	17	Coffee Station
24	5	Request Masks
25	5	Collection Boxes
22	9	Set Limits to Number of People in the Sanctuary or Fellowship Hall
14	16	Remove Items from Pews
24	5	Mark Pews for Easy Social Distancing
27	2	Should Social Distancing be Expected
4	21	Extended Church

Notes: Clear indications of group desires can be made here. 8 of the 10 questions have over 20 people giving the same response. The majority response to those 8 questions also follow typical recommendations.

It is VERY important that we assume others want us to follow social distancing and other policies; even if you disagree with them. For example: If you want to talk to someone who you haven't seen in a while; assume they want you to be 6 feet away. You can ask them if you can come closer, without pressuring them to do so. If we do not assume that individuals want social distancing, we can make people very uncomfortable and make them less likely to attend church.

The same is true with illness. If you are sick or showing signs of illness, stay home. If one sick person comes to church, it will make many wary of attending service again.

**The work of the church requires volunteers. Would you be willing to volunteer for these tasks over the summer?**

- 8 -Help clean building during the week
- 11 -Sanitizing high-contact surfaces
- 11 -Ushering
- 9 -Counting Money
- 11 -Liturgist
- 6 -Special Music
- 8 -Giving a personal testimony
- 8 -Leading a devotion
- 19 -Greeting individuals
- 5 -Deep cleaning projects
- 12 -Organizational projects
- 5 -Maintenance projects
- 5 -Selling SCRIP Cards
- 12 -Congregational Care Team
- 5 -Running the Sound System
- 4 -Teaching Children's Lessons
- 2 -Leading Music

Notes: There is a lot to be optimistic about this response. Please respond to these needs accordingly. We do have to take into account that on average, each person indicated that they would help with 5 of these tasks. This is probably more than most can actually do. The wording of the question might not have made it clear enough that we were trying to see who was willing to help with these items right now, over the summer and not 'when all this is over.'

**Many of our church's committees or task teams need help. Some are down to only 1 person. Would you be willing to help with 1 or 2 of these groups? Please respond to all, even if you are already on a given committee/task team.**

- 4 -Budget & Finance
- 4 -Stewardship
- 3 -Accounting/Auditing
- 9 -Worship
- 8 -Christian Education
- 14 -Evangelism & Outreach
- 10 -Congregational Care Team
- 9 -Personnel
- 5 -Property
- 6 -Nominating
- 10 -Church Life

Notes: There is a lot to be optimistic about here as well. Please respond to these needs accordingly. Year after year, finding individuals willing to serve on committees has been very difficult. Here to, each person indicated that they are willing to help with an average of 3 committees; that is high.

**Here is an option for a summer worship schedule. 8:30 am Drive-In Service; 9:45 am Adult Elective that is available in person in the Fellowship Hall and on Zoom; 11 am Worship in the Sanctuary. Please give your opinion of this option and what you would typically attend.**

-8:30

-8:30

-Sounds like a good option. Mostly likely to attend the sanctuary service -- tricky to deal with kids in the car for drive-in.

-This does give people options; which is good.

-Would be worth a try, but is there enough people that would attend, to make it worthwhile?

-Drive-In Service & Sunday school at church

- I think this would be a very huge stress for Rev Steve
- Worship only
- I would like Drive-In Service a little later, like 9:30 with the Adult Elective after that.
- I would probably attend the 11:00 service. Attend 9:45 Sunday School when able.
- Adult elective and Sanctuary
- This schedule works for me I will attend it all.
- We would typically attend the 11:00 service.
- In person
- We would probably attend the 11:00 service in the sanctuary. There is something very special about being in the sanctuary. I can actually feel the presence of I'd God there. I know it doesn't matter where you are if there are 2 or more gathered in his name, it is just not the same feeling I get when we are in the sanctuary.
- Might work.
- Not sure. I would like to attend drive in more, but getting out the door that early is challenging.
- Very flexible and provides all options for viewpoints on virus.
- Do either drive in at 830, or 1045 in Sanctuary with drive in option due to lack of sound equipment
- We don't have enough members to plan a 2 worship service Sunday, especially during the summer months
- Probably attend the drive-in; maybe come inside
- This seems like a good plan for the short term.
- Drive In - Zoom Adult Elective
- I can't do 8:30--maybe 9:30. I would do the 11:00 in the Sanctuary.
- 11 in building
- I would prefer 11AM if numbers are down and it is safe
- 11

Notes: The option suggested here, is only an option. Much would need to be done in order to make it possible. No choice would work for everyone. There is also the issue of splitting resources. Any approach that offers multiple opportunities would fit the needs of more of the congregation. It also requires more resources and spreads those resources more thin. Having a drive in service, an online service, and a sanctuary service would give viable opportunities to the bulk of the congregation. More of the congregation would attend a service, but each service would have less people in it. When we put less resources into any given option, we increase the chance that that option will be unsuccessful. Would the drive-in service work if we couldn't find a regular musician for both services? Would the sanctuary service feel like community if it only had ten people?