

Skyline COVID-19 Task Force: Third Report: September 4, 2020

As the COVID-19 pandemic unfolded, Skyline worked with the best information that was available at the time to make decisions for the safety and well-being of our community. As State and Federal officials figured out what it looked like to “re-open” businesses and our community, Skyline leadership launched a COVID-19 Task Force to discuss when and how to resume worship in our building. Here is a report from our most recent meeting.

Currently Delaware remains in Phase Two and unable to proceed to Phase 3

Public schools are starting the school year remotely and many businesses continue to work from home. The upcoming Annual Conference for the Peninsula Delaware Conference will be held virtually. Some churches have begun to experiment with in-person worship inside, outside, and in their cars.

In August, Skyline held a social event in the parking lot that was well attended. A short socially-distanced worship service preceded the event. On September 13, we have a Grove worship service planned, prior to our Zoom worship. The Task Force will re-survey our congregation to better understand your thoughts about how we should proceed.

In the meantime, the Task Force has decided to postpone in-person Sunday worship until after Thanksgiving, giving consideration on how to celebrate Advent.

- Zoom worship at 10am will continue.
- The grove will be available for group sizes of 25 or less.
- The church building will be available for certain planned and pre-scheduled events.
- Use of the grove or building must be scheduled 72 hours in advance and will require participants to sign a waiver.
- Some of the outside groups that meet in our building may decide that they want to resume gathering. We are requiring waivers from them as well.
- Contact the office at office@skylinechurch.net with building requests or questions.
- We may continue to offer some alternative events such as outside worship.

The Task Force will meet again in October and we will update you after that meeting. Until then, please contact Ruthann Turner at 302-333-2135 or ruthannturner@ymail.com with any ideas or questions. Thank you and stay safe! We will get through this as a community of believers!

*Living in the Most High's shelter, camping in the Almighty's shade, I say to the LORD,
"You are my refuge, my stronghold! You are my God—the one I trust!" Psalm 91: 1-2*

