

## Skyline COVID 19 Task Force: Fifth Report: May 21, 2021

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. State and Federal officials recently announced a lifting of restrictions. Governor Carney announced that Delaware will follow CDC guidance on masking, noting that unvaccinated persons should wear masks. This modification included this statement from the CDC:

The CDC guidance advises that fully vaccinated people can stop distancing and wearing masks in most places indoors and outdoors, except in certain crowded and congregate settings. Unvaccinated and partially vaccinated individuals should continue to wear masks in public settings and around those who live outside of their household.<sup>1</sup>

**With the safety of the Skyline worshipping community in mind, our COVID Task Force is recommending:**

- We will continue to offer a hybrid service: Both in person and Zoom services at 10:00 to offer our community a choice of where they feel safe to worship.
- Mask wearing will be optional for vaccinated persons, and required for those who are unvaccinated.
- We will continue to practice social distancing as a safety precaution.
- We are asking people to perform a “self-screen” and remain home if they have any symptoms of COVID-19.
- Live music: The band has committed to providing live music for the 9:00 Grove Worship Service June-August and using recorded music for the 10:00 Hybrid Service. They would like to learn the congregation’s comfort with live indoor music. We will stick with our current schedule while we determine this next step.

The safety of our entire Skyline community is a high priority. If someone wishes to remain masked, we will respect this wish. And we do not have records for who is currently vaccinated. Currently, vaccinations are approved for people age 12 and above, which means our young disciples who are under age 12 will still need to wear masks and there may be those who will wear masks in support of them!<sup>2</sup> Let’s work together for the safety of our group.

Thank you and stay safe! We are getting 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*

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<sup>1</sup>[Governor Carney Signs 29th Modification, Eliminates Distancing and Mask Mandate - State of Delaware News](#)

<sup>2</sup>[Do the New CDC Guidelines Mean a Return to In-person Worship? | Sojourners](#)

## **COVID-19 Self Screen:**

Please answer the following questions.

- In the past 14 days, have you been near (within 6 feet for at least 15 minutes) a person who has a lab-confirmed case of COVID-19, or have you had direct contact with their mucus or saliva?
  
- In the last 48 hours, have you had any of the following symptoms?
  - o Fever of 100.4 F or above (or symptoms like alternating shivering and sweating)
  - o New cough
  - o New trouble breathing, shortness of breath or severe wheezing
  - o New chills or shaking with chills
  - o New muscle aches
  - o Sore throat
  - o Vomiting or diarrhea
  - o New loss of smell or taste, or a change in taste
  - o Nausea
  - o Fatigue
  - o Headache, congestion or runny nose with no other known cause (such as allergies)

If you answered YES to any of the questions above, please attend church via zoom today!

This screening tool was adapted from the Mayo Clinic's online COVID-19 Self-Assessment. To use the Mayo Clinic's tool online, visit [mayoclinic.org/covid-19-self-assessment-tool](https://www.mayoclinic.org/covid-19-self-assessment-tool)