

## Returning to Church Check-In

Churches are using the Returning to Church Check-In to better understand the sentiments of church congregants and leaders regarding the prospect of returning to regular in person church services. Learn more about their attitudes, willingness to observe precautions, and eagerness to return to church as normal. This survey also includes specific questions on current Faith, Vocation, Relationships, Finances, and Health.

### 1. As local governments begin to lift bans against churches meeting, which of the following best describes your attitude toward returning to a worship service at church?

- I will return the first opportunity we have
- I will return at the first opportunity but with some concerns and precautions
- I will wait several additional weeks before I attend
- It may be quite a while before I return
- Not sure

### 2. Which other type of activity BEST signals to you that it is time to open in-person worship at the church?

- Local businesses are open
- Local restaurant seating areas are open
- Schools are open
- The number of COVID-19 cases in our community is low
- Social distancing and stay home guidelines have been lifted
- Testing is widely available and utilized
- An effective vaccine is widely available
- All of the above
- Not sure

### 3. If local guidelines require all church attendees to wear a protective face mask, how would you feel about attending?

- I am ready to attend in a mask
- I would rather worship "mask free" at home
- Not sure

### 4. Would you be okay if we had to check every person's temperature as they entered the building?

- Yes
- No
- Undecided

### 5. Would you be willing to attend a worship service at a different time than you typically attend to allow people to spread out more?

- Yes
- No
- Undecided

**6. What type of precaution should be our top priority for worship gatherings?**

- Limit passing or touching things (Lord's supper elements, offering plate, handouts)
- Encourage social distancing - spread out the seating
- Address foot traffic (prop doors open, one way flow entering and exiting)
- Provide hand sanitizer stations
- Limit the gathering size, even if more services are required
- All of these
- None of these

**7. Do you expect the church to offer children's and student ministries as we resume?**

- Yes, as soon as we return
- Maybe, if the church can establish good precautions
- No, have them participate in the main worship service for now
- Not sure

**8. As soon as we receive clearance for public gatherings from our local officials, which of the following would you prefer for our church?**

- Resume in person worship services at our church immediately
- Meet in smaller groups or size limited gatherings for a few more weeks before resuming in person worship services
- Keep all activities online-only to see what happens with the virus
- Undecided

**These next questions help us understand how you're doing personally at this time.**

**Please respond.**

**9. At the current time, how would you rate your physical health?**

10 – Excellent 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0 - Poor

**10. How much stress are you experiencing related to your personal finances?**

10 – Excellent 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0 - No stress at all

**11. I am currently employed in a stable job situation.**

10 - Agree strongly 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0 - Disagree strongly  
Not applicable (student, retired, homemaker...)

**12. I have people in my life I can count on no matter what happens.**

10 - Agree strongly 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0 - Disagree strongly

**13. When I am in crisis, I find my hope in God.**

10 - Agree strongly 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0 - Disagree strongly

**14. In what year were you born?**

- 1999 - 2015 (Gen Z)
- 1984 - 1998 (Millennial)
- 1965 - 1983 (Gen X)
- 1946 - 1964 (Boomer)
- 1925 - 1945 (Elder)