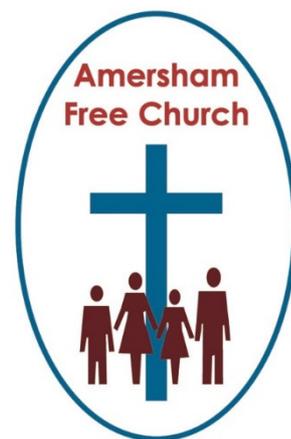


# AMERSHAM FREE CHURCH

## PREPARING TO WORSHIP BACK AT CHURCH

*Here are just a few things to bear in mind when we attend Morning Worship at AFC*



- Please do not attend morning worship if you have any symptoms of Covid-19.
- As we enter, either by the front or car park doors, please leave a 'metre plus' between you and the next person using the doorway. Once inside the building please also observe that distance between yourself and the person in front. Please do not 'greet' one another in any physical way.
- Chairs in the Sanctuary have been physically distanced, and all are available to be occupied, there are a maximum of 60 - once we are at full capacity we will not be able to admit more people.
- Unfortunately, at the moment, we are not able to make provision for any Junior Church activities. If you are bringing children to church do feel free to also bring along books and colouring pencils for them to use during the service.
- Do feel comfortable if you want to wear gloves and/or a face covering to church.
- Please be aware that under current government restrictions there will be no singing at the service – but sharing in spoken responses is allowed. We will have hymns to listen to, but these have all been pre-recorded. The organ is allowed and will be played for 15mins before the service as people gather, during the service for a reflective piece of music and as a Voluntary at the end.
- The only toilet facility available will be the ambulant toilet in the vestibule, please sanitise the toilet afterwards using the materials provided in accordance with the notice you will find there. The side corridor, side rooms and Alfred Ellis Hall will all be 'out of bounds'.
- No hymn books, bibles or service sheets will be available – all the words for the service will be projected onto the front wall. Please feel free to print out the Order of Service from the website and bring it with you, ensuring that you take it home afterwards.
- Please use the hand sanitiser lotion provided both as you enter and exit the Sanctuary.
- We are grateful for those who now make their offering to the church via the bank. If you wish to bring an envelope or cash, please drop it in the basket provided as you enter the Sanctuary. This basket will be collected afterwards, it will not be 'presented' during the service; however, there will be a 'Dedication' prayer at some point in our worship.
- The URC have issued a personal risk assessment and this can be read at either: [https://urc.org.uk/images/Communications/docs/Personal\\_Risk\\_Assessment.pdf](https://urc.org.uk/images/Communications/docs/Personal_Risk_Assessment.pdf) or on the Minister's Blog.

- Alternative ways to worship at AFC, if you cannot be present in person, are either through the Audio Service (made available every Sunday morning) or by watching the video recording of the 10.30am Service online (made available later on Sunday).
- The service will end in the 'Continental' style – that is we will sit and listen to the organ voluntary at the end all the way through, and then leave. You will be asked to leave the church at that point one row at a time, starting from the back, as directed by a steward.
- The government guidelines clearly state that worshippers should not linger after the service in the building (let's hope this is relaxed in due course). So, we would encourage folk to leave church promptly. Conversations are, of course, permitted in the open air in small groups.
- The Elders have signed off on the URC Risk Assessment document.