

Worship in the Time of a Pandemic

Friends, we are so grateful for this community and everyone's willingness to do their part in keeping those ineligible to be vaccinated safe.

Our Bishop's Committee members take their role as representatives of St. Augustine's seriously and, following Diocesan and CDC recommendations, have implemented the following guidelines:

Choosing Safer Activities

Accessible link: <https://www.cdc.gov/media/releases/2021-s020619-ctg-participate-in-activities.html>


	Unvaccinated People	Examples of Activities	Fully Vaccinated People
Outdoor			
Safest		Walk, run, wheelchair roll, or bike outdoors with members of your household	
		Attend a small, outdoor gathering with fully vaccinated family and friends	
		Attend a small, outdoor gathering with fully vaccinated and unvaccinated people, particularly in areas of substantial to high transmission	
Least Safe		Dine at an outdoor restaurant with friends from multiple households	
		Attend a crowded, outdoor event, like a live performance, parade, or sports event	
Indoor			
Least Safe		Visit a barber or hair salon	
		Go to an uncrowded, indoor shopping center or museum	
		Attend a small, indoor gathering of fully vaccinated and unvaccinated people from multiple households	
Least Safe		Go to an indoor movie theater	
		Attend a full-capacity worship service	
		Sing in an indoor chorus	
		Eat at an indoor restaurant or bar	
		Participate in an indoor, high intensity exercise class	

Get a COVID-19 vaccine

Prevention measures not needed

Take prevention measures
wear a mask, stay 6 feet apart,
and wash your hands.

Safety tools assume the recommended prevention measures are followed, both by the individual and the venue (if applicable).
CDC cannot provide the specific risk level for every activity in every community. It is important to consider your own personal situation and the risk to you, your family, and your community before venturing out.

 [cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus)

[Click here for current CDC recommendations.](#)

- **We will continue to wear masks during worship.** While this can be uncomfortable, this is the safest practice to prevent the spread of Covid-19, particularly to our children and those ineligible to be vaccinated. *We still highly encourage only that all eligible persons be vaccinated before attending in-person worship.*
- **Congregational singing is now permitted.**
- **Every pew is now open** to avoid the unintended bottlenecks that came from roping off ever other one, and we ask that you please maintain appropriate spacing.
- **Communion will be available in both kinds.** You may receive the Cup **by intinction only**, if you so desire. A reminder: Communion in One Kind is full Communion.
- **We will offer Coffee Hour indoors.** If you are not vaccinated, we ask that you take your refreshments into the courtyard before removing your mask.