

Re-Gathering Team Canvas Data

Total Respondents	76	***Note: If you're wondering why some of the answers total responses does not equal the total number of respondents, it is because some respondents chose to skip certain questions and the some questions allowed people to select multiple answers.									
Please indicate the ways you worship with FCC Spencer.	In Person	Live Stream	Recorded	None							
	40	50	20	5							
If you are not currently participating in our worship service, please indicate which alternative you practice most often.	Elsewhere In Person	Elsewhere via Live Stream	Not attending worship	Not Applicable							
	4	4	14	47							
Have you attended in person at least one of our morning worship services since we began re-gathering on Aug 30th?	Yes	No									
	43	32									
If you answered "yes" above, please indicate the likelihood that you will continue to regularly attend (in person) if our Sunday morning worship experience remains 'as-is:'	Most Likely	Fairly Likely	Not Likely								
	26	13	11								
Please check all of the following you generally agree with:	We should not be meeting at all	We should be meeting but everyone should be socially distanced and masked per CDC guidelines	We should be meeting and socially distanced but masking is voluntary	The leadership should not sing, but speaking is OK if masked	The leadership should not sing, but speaking is OK un-masked	The leadership should be able to sing, speak, and preach 'as normal' if masked	The leadership should be able to sing, speak, and preach 'as normal' un-masked	The congregation should be able to sing at a quiet volume if masked	The congregation should be able to sing at a normal volume if masked	The congregation should be able to sing at a normal volume unmasked but socially distanced	There should be no COVID related restrictions at all in our worship service
	2	50	15	11	4	40	39	25	32	9	3
On the issue of singing:	We should not be singing	We should be singing									
	17	145									

COMMENTS:

If we can't sing, all songs should be recorded and played. We can enter and walk out to music too. liven the place up a bit

I think it is important to take all safety precautions we can no matter how difficult it is. We have a duty of care to ourselves and to our brothers and sisters in Christ.

We have only missed watch live stream one Sunday because of a specific activity that needed to be done at that time. We missed watching when there was the problem with broadcasting. Happy that got fixed! We will continue watching the live streaming at least for awhile. Thanks for all the work so many are doing to make things work so smoothly during these difficult times!

It's so tough that the pandemic goes on and on. As my health is compromised I have chosen to watch our services online and greatly appreciate Kate the efforts to get that done.

it seems strange to not have fellowship, visiting, coffee hour. there are many conversations outside the church after services or meetings. i want everyone to feel safe it is a strange time in the life of our church family. one person said they were out of the habit of attending worship, very sad. i believe our tech team Matt & Joseph are doing a great job getting the service live streamed!

I think shields are an acceptable face covering for leadership when they are safely distanced. Members of the congregation should be able to greet one another from a safe distance. I would like to see options for fellowship, so congregation members can feel connected. This should remain socially distanced, but there is no reason we cannot safely converse if all are masked. Thank you!

Regarding question one. I attend regularly when home and no restrictions

I am being protective of my most vulnerable family members & friends; but my own social & spiritual needs aren't being met.

How can we get our membership more active in person or viral, that includes Sunday School also. Joseph is doing such a good job !

It's a tough time...I feel ushers/greeter should wear a mask since they are closer to those coming in. IF we are all socially distanced I don't see why we can't sing. I feel mask wearing should be optional...some have breathing issues where masks make that harder. As for the leaders, if they are social distanced from everyone I feel the same applies.

Research shows that singing, even while masked, spreads aerosols beyond the 6 foot distancing. I understand that we all want to raise our voices to praise our Lord. It is frustrating, but the research suggests that to love and care for one another, we should wait. The schools are using these precautions as well. It's hard, but I feel it is important to follow the research and science.

You have done a great job in this crazy time. Thank you for caring about me and your church family.

Really miss singing. Lots of people are already humming... would like to sing

We do everything else somewhat normally. If worried, stay home

We are very torn about attending in person services at this time. We have been doing individual worshipping at home.

I am concerned with the recent increase of cases in nw iowa. I am also concerned how we are going to handle Thanksgiving and Christmas services. I don't want to turn any away.

I not ready to attend any services wit the virus still around.

I feel that we just have to be so cautious, especially since the covid cases have risen in Spencer & surrounding areas.

I have heard comments that persons with hearing aids find it difficult to hear with masks. Is there any way to help these persons to be able to actively participate in worship services?

We feel safe attending church. I would like to congratulate the regathering team for all their hard work. Following CDC guidelines, being in contact with Collette Rossiter at Clay County Public Health, and IDPH. It is not normal but it is as normal as can be at this time to keep our church family safe. Slowly things are coming back and I hope soon we will be able to have a normal church service.

I believe the guidelines we are currently following are good. I have only been able to attend one service in person but was comfortable. I am appreciative of the option to worship on line. I also appreciate all of the extra effort the staff and regathering team have put in to make us feel safe.

Team, you are doing a great job in order to protect us. I am in the high risk group (74) and appreciate everything being done for my protection.

All the restrictions have greatly effected our worship services, fellowship & traditions at FCC. I struggle with feelings of frustration/anger with all the restrictions. I'd like to see fewer restrictions and place more responsibility for each of us to make responsible decisions and stay home if we're not feeling well.

I probably will not attend in person until I get a vaccination. The reason being is I am considered high risk.

Masking, as I understand, is for the times when it is not possible to socially distance. As we are both distanced, and masked, it seems to me our worship should be "normally" run. I also think if we are distanced while seated, it would be okay to take a "mask break" until we sing and/or leave our seats.

Please realize that some are choosing not to attend because masks are mandated and not optional.

We should be doing what is best for the church family as a whole. We are learning more every day and should consider this regularly. If we are doing similar activities as Spencer Schools we should use their resources and follow their lead.

We so appreciate all your efforts in trying to maintain some sense of normalcy throughout these very trying times. You have provided many options for us to worship and that is great, everyone can chose which option they are most comfortable with. Keep up the good work. We'll get through this together.

We the willing, lead by the unknown, are doing the impossible, for the ungrateful.

I listen to Hope on T.V. on Sunday AM.

I will continue to watch on TV until there is a vaccine. I miss going to church and seeing everyone.

Church seems safe. Outdoor service was enjoyable.

I will be there when comfortable about it.