

# Bethlehem

LUTHERAN CHURCH MORLEY

## Information to members and friends for reopening after COVID-19 shutdown

*'Enter the Lord's gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise...'*  
Psalm 100:4a

As we start returning to public worship at Bethlehem there will be two services each Sunday: 9:00am or 11:00am. The provision of two services is designed to ensure there is plenty of space for everyone. We will review timing and number of services as required.

### Booking, entry, attendance recording and seating

- **If you have internet access we encourage you to book which of the 9am or 11am service you are attending. Book at [morley.wa.lca.org.au](http://morley.wa.lca.org.au)** If you don't have online access or forget or need to change your mind **that's ok**. Come to the service you want. Booking just gives us a head start with recording names of attendees for contact tracing and a preliminary idea of what sort of numbers we might be expecting.
- Please arrive well ahead of the designated start time, entering through the Robinson Road entrance and sanitising your hands (with own product or that provided).
- Proceed within the foyer to where an usher will record your attendance. If you have pre-booked the usher will simply tick next to your pre-filled name and phone number. If you have not pre-booked they will record your name and a phone number.
- Proceed to the auditorium (main church meeting area).
- 60 seats have been set out consistent with the 2sqm limit. Please keep 1.5m distance between you and those from other households.



- Those from the same household should sit together.
- Seats can be moved to achieve the right spacing for you or your household.
- An usher will be on hand to assist you with seating. Please follow their directions.

### Please help maintain a high level of personal hygiene

- Hand sanitiser should be applied on entry. You may use your own or that provided.

- Avoid physical greetings such as handshakes, hugs and kisses. We will not physically 'pass the peace'.
- Avoid touching the face with hands, particularly nose and eyes.
- Cover coughs and sneezes with an elbow to stop droplets spreading.
- Everyone should wash hands thoroughly with soap handwash or sanitiser for at least 20 seconds after coughing into hands or attending the toilet. Families are asked to make a special effort to encourage children in this area.
- Please bring your own full water bottle. The kitchen is closed for the moment.
- The offering will be received through a collection bowl placed in the auditorium. You are invited to place your collection or REG card in the bowl before taking your seat. An additional announcement will be made just prior to the hymn after the sermon if you would prefer to place your offering then.

### **When you feel unwell**

We are asking people to please stay at home if they are sick or have signs of having cold or flu-like symptoms. As usual, pastor is available for prayer, although by phone, and would appreciate being advised, especially if symptoms are severe.

Any individual reporting positive to COVID-19 is asked to report an instance to Pastor Matt Bishop (0420 958 898) or Mrs Tahlia Wurst (0427 814 966) as soon as they become aware so that Bethlehem can activate it's response plan and can also care spiritually for you.

### **Exit and fellowship**

You are encouraged to use the side doors of the church to exit and to fellowship on the lawned areas (observing social distancing) weather permitting.

### **Gradual start up**

There is no tea or coffee for the foreseeable future. It is anticipated that the Lord's Supper will commence shortly after further evidence is available that the latest easing of restrictions has not resulted in increased community transmission.

### **Other**

- Our facility will be cleaned before and after each use. We will roster this for Sundays. Outside these times, on first entry of any user group to the building, please use disinfectant spray and disposable wipes to clean all door handles, taps and toilet tops where buttons are located. These supplies are clearly marked and accessible on the top shelf of the 'cushion' cupboard in the auditorium.
- Please repeat this process as a last activity prior to leaving and locking the building.
- Disposal of all wipes and gloves to be in the rubbish bin following entry disinfection process and following exit disinfection process.

A full copy of the congregations' COVID Safety Plan is on the notice board and available on request to [matt.bishop@lca.org.au](mailto:matt.bishop@lca.org.au)

Thank you for your help with the above matters as we return to worship.

*'Come let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our Salvation'  
Psalm 95:1*

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