



## *Shavertown United Methodist Church*

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Covid Update – August 25, 2021

SUMC is currently offering in-person and online worship opportunities. In-person worship is available Saturdays at 5:30pm and Sundays at 9:30am. Online worship is available at [shavertownumc.com](http://shavertownumc.com). The reopening committee continues to meet, stays current on CDC recommendations, and monitors local Covid rate information. Our safety guidelines have been updated and are described below. We will keep you informed of changes in our guidelines as needed.

### **General Guidelines:**

- a. If you have symptoms of Covid-19 such as fever and/or cough, please stay home.
- b. We encourage all eligible persons to be vaccinated.
- c. High risk individuals are encouraged to attend the smaller Saturday service or join us for our online worship.
- d. Social distancing is encouraged whenever possible.
- e. Masks are optional but we encourage the use of masks as you feel comfortable.
- f. Masks and hand sanitizer will be available when entering the narthex.
- g. You will be greeted at the ramp door, no other doors are available to enter through.
- h. Greeters will take attendance as you enter.

**Seating:** Social distancing should be considered when choosing a seat in a pew.

**Offering:** Offering plates will be at the back of the sanctuary to be used when entering or leaving service.

**Communion:** We will provide individually packaged wafers and juice for Communion until further notice.

We encourage everyone to use their best judgment on whether they should attend worship.

If you have concerns or questions, please contact SUMC at [shavertownumc@susumc.org](mailto:shavertownumc@susumc.org).

Many blessings,  
The SUMC Reopening Committee