



**Second Baptist Church COVID-19 Policy  
Worship Service Guidelines  
June 2022**

In an effort to keep all Second Baptist Church (SBC) members and worship guests safe, the SBC COVID-19 Task Force has created this policy establishing the following guidelines regarding hybrid (in-person and online) worship services during the pandemic:

**Second Baptist Church is pleased to announce a return to in-person service on June 12, 2022, at 11:00 a.m. To ensure the safety of all worshippers, please adhere to the following:**

- 1. Register on Google Church Link to reserve your place in the sanctuary.**
- 2. Fill out the COVID waiver form and bring it and/or a picture of your vaccination card before you arrive (This applies to all adults and children 5 and over)**
- 3. Wear a mask and be sure to maintain the face covering during the entire service.**
- 4. Check in and temperature check.**
- 5. Sit only in the designated pews to allow social distancing**
- 6. Leave the sanctuary immediately after the service, following the ushers' guidance**

**IN-PERSON WORSHIP SERVICES:**

Registration details will be provided and updated on the SBC website- [www.sbcwestend.com](http://www.sbcwestend.com). As well, a physical copy of registration details will be created and to be available at any outside event.

➤ **Online Google Church Link Registration Guidelines:**

➤ To register, you must provide the following information:

- **Name** (First and Last)
- **Email Address** (if applicable)
- **Phone Number** (Indicate Mobile or Primary/Home)
- **Are you fully vaccinated?** Yes No

A printed proof of COVID-19 vaccination is required the first time for in-person worship. You will not have to provide this each time to register to attend service. According to the CDC, fully vaccinated for COVID-19 means that within the last two weeks, you have taken:

<b>Pfizer</b>	Ages 5-11	2 doses 3-8 weeks apart
<b>Pfizer</b>	Ages 12+	2 doses 3-8 weeks apart
<b>Moderna</b>	Ages 18+	2 doses 4-8 weeks apart
<b>Johnson &amp; Johnson</b>	Ages 18+	1 dose



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- All children must be accompanied by their parents/guardians. We continue to encourage parents to get their children vaccinated in accordance with the CDC recommendations.
- SBC will maintain a database of members who have provided proof of vaccination.

### **TRANSPORTATION:**

At the time of establishing this policy, transportation will **not** be available. However, this resource will be revisited on a monthly basis by the SBC Covid Task Force.

### **ARRIVAL INFORMATION:**

- Sunday worship service begins at **11:00 a.m.** The doors will open at **10:00a.m.** to begin check in.
- Worshippers will have two options to enter the Sanctuary for service:
  - Enter through main doors
  - Enter using the church steps on **Idlewood Ave.** and enter the side doors to gain access to the elevator.

### **REGISTRATION CHECK-IN:**

Registered worshippers must check-in upon arrival by:

- Showing printed proof of COVID-19 vaccination.
- Having their temperatures checked. Anyone with a temperature **above 99** will **not** be allowed to enter.
- Donning **masks BEFORE** getting to either church doors.

### **SOCIAL DISTANCING:**

At all times, registered worshippers will be required to socially-distance. The ushers direct those entering through the main doors of the church to the sanctuary

Those with disabilities may enter from the Idlewood Ave. through the double doors. Elevator capacity is limited to a maximum of **two persons at a time** or more if only household/family members. Signage will be on the floor in the elevator.

### **Directions for seating in the sanctuary:**

Attendees will be assisted by the ushers.

- Social distancing will be required for seating. Only family members of each household can sit together as available. All other attendees will be seated six feet apart.
- The pews will be marked in accordance with social distancing guidelines.
  - Attendees will not be permitted to socialize beyond their immediate family members inside the building.



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- After-service socializing and/or congregating is not permitted inside the building. Worshippers will exit the sanctuary through doors of the Sanctuary.
- Attendees will stay in our places for the Benediction.

### **TITHING:**

Attendees are encouraged to pay Tithes and Offerings **online** through our website or Cash App. Any on-site payments may be placed in the Offering Baskets during the collection march.

### **COMMUNION SUNDAY:**

Communion elements will be available to pick up from the Deacons on Covenant and Communion Sunday as the worshippers enter the sanctuary.

### **ONLINE WORSHIP SERVICES:**

Online broadcast of worship services will be available live through Zoom and on our Facebook page via Facebook Live. The re-broadcast of worship services will be available on the SBC YouTube channel.

### **CHURCH MAINTENANCE:**

The cleaning and sanitizing of the church sanctuary, bathrooms and all common areas will be performed by our custodian before-and-after all services.

### **CHURCH**

- Following the protocols at all times, our minimalist design worship service is 40-50 min.
- This soft reopening of the sanctuary is for SUNDAY service only. The church is NOT yet open for funerals, weddings, or any other programs. Funerals will continue to be held at funeral homes or graveside.