



AS WE RE-OPEN...
Sunday March 7, 2021
10:00 - 11:00AM

The decision to attend the public re-opening of the Port Elgin Missionary Church Sunday Worship Service is solely your personal decision to make.

The PEMC Leadership recommends the following with regard to your decision:

1. If you are in a high-risk demographic, we would strongly encourage you to not physically attend at this time.
 - (a) More vulnerable individuals include those who are in assisted-living and nursing home facilities.
 - (b) More vulnerable individuals also include those with underlying health conditions, such as diabetes, heart/lung disease, or other respiratory illnesses.
2. When you return to the PEMC Worship Service, you'll find that things are not the same as before. The Staff and Leadership of our Church are attempting to make the best decisions for everyone from both a health and spiritual standpoint, according to God's Word - while maintaining the freedom of personal responsibility and diversity of conclusions around the recommendations regarding COVID 19, which continue to change.

As you and your family return to PEMC:

1. Complete a self-assessment prior to attending (see below) and please stay home if you have any symptoms, suspect you could be ill, or have been recently exposed to someone who has been unwell.
2. **Statement of Waiver: COVID-19 is highly contagious and is known to spread mainly from person-to-person contact.**

By attending the Port Elgin Missionary Church, you agree to abide by the procedures established by the church to protect attendees and staff, and you voluntarily assume the risk that you and/or your family may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 either at the church, in the church worship service, and any other church ministries as they open. You agree to assume all the risks of attendance and participation for you and your family, and you waive any liability against the Port Elgin Missionary Church and any other parties.

3. The PEMC facility will be sanitized. High traffic areas, including restroom facilities, will be disinfected prior to the service, however, we request that everyone use the restroom at home prior to coming to limit usage of the church's facilities.
 - (a) Parents of children up to grade 5 are to accompany their children to the restrooms.
4. Please enter the main front doors only.
 - (a) Bulletins will not be handed out or available. Our monthly bulletin will resume shortly on our website @ themissionarychurch.com
 - (b) We will not offer coffee or a socializing area.

- (c) We will have hand sanitizing stations near the front doors, and seating area.
 - (d) We will not be passing offering plates. You may drop your tithes and offerings into the box located at the rear of the seating area.
5. The seating area will be designed with social-distancing in mind. Should you require additional chairs for your family group, please ensure social-distancing is maintained between other chair groupings.
 6. Parents are asked to keep your children with you at all times. While this is likely a difficult task as children see their friends again, we ask that parents are highly diligent in this area. Please understand that the PEMC leadership has the responsibility to ensure social-distancing compliance.
 7. There will be no Children's Ministries (Nursery or Builders) during the service at this time.
 - (a) A Quiet Area will be provided in the lobby, directly to the west of rink doors for parents to assist their children. This area is meant to be a temporary seating area where parents can assess whether their child is able to quietly return to the service. This area is to be utilized by only one family at a time, due to social-distancing.
 - (b) A private Nursing Moms Area will be situated just inside the Community Room doors for Moms and babies only.
 - (c) The Family Washroom is to be used by all parents with children, and for diapering purposes.
 8. We will aim to keep our services to around one hour.
 9. We will not have our usual "greeting time."
We ask that you not shake hands, give hugs, or have any physical contact with those outside of your family ... *even if the other person gives you permission to do so.*
 10. During our re-opening phase, we will not have any singing.
PLEASE UNDERSTAND THAT THIS IS MANDATED BY PUBLIC HEALTH AND PROVINCIAL REGULATIONS. Please refrain from singing during our worship time. We hope this can be revised in the near future.
 11. Face masks are mandatory. Please consider bringing your own face mask, or If you do not have one, disposable masks are provided upon entering our facility.
 12. At the conclusion of the service, our leadership will announce our safe exiting measures, releasing the congregation in an orderly, social-distancing fashion. Please ensure you take all paper, trash or personal belongings with you.
 - (a) We are requesting that all interaction with one another take place outside and with proper physical distancing in the municipal parking lot.

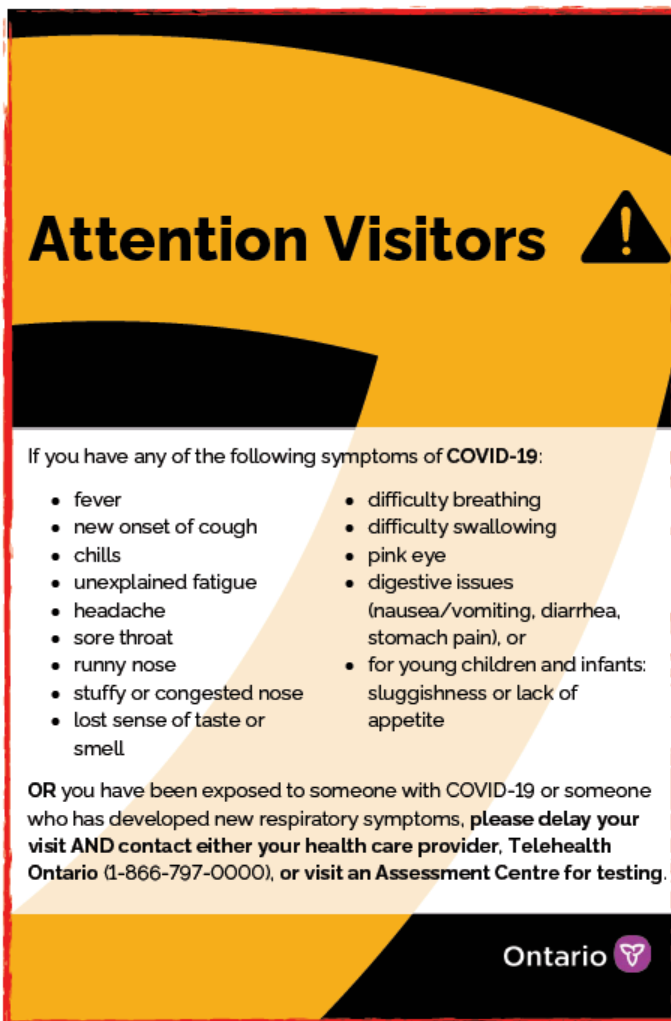
**The above details are posted on our church website
@ themissionarychurch.com**


Self-Assessment Questions:

- * Are you feeling fevered/chills?
- * Do you have a new or worsening cough, shortness of breath, sore throat, runny nose, nasal congestion, diarrhea, nausea/vomiting, abdominal pain, difficulty swallowing, new loss of taste/smell, conjunctivitis (pink eye)?

If yes to any of the above, please do not come to church.

Call COVID Call-in Centre or contact your healthcare provider.




Attention Visitors 

If you have any of the following symptoms of **COVID-19**:

- fever
- new onset of cough
- chills
- unexplained fatigue
- headache
- sore throat
- runny nose
- stuffy or congested nose
- lost sense of taste or smell
- difficulty breathing
- difficulty swallowing
- pink eye
- digestive issues (nausea/vomiting, diarrhea, stomach pain), or
- for young children and infants: sluggishness or lack of appetite

OR you have been exposed to someone with COVID-19 or someone who has developed new respiratory symptoms, **please delay your visit AND contact either your health care provider, Telehealth Ontario (1-866-797-0000), or visit an Assessment Centre for testing.**

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**Grey Bruce Health Unit:
519-376-9420 Extension 3000**

1-800-263-3456 Extension 3000.