

**Dear Chapelites,**

## **Covid-reacting - Sunday Schedule - Healthful Choices**

Yesterday Caleb had a croupy cough, so of course we kept him home. We debated next steps. He has allergies; is that what it is? Is it a cold? Does he need to see the doctor? That is how would have reacted in normal parenting times.

Then we added 2020 questions. Is it more than a cold? Does he need to be tested? There is a little bit of added stress and fear that come with 2020. We evaluated Caleb, while we made other decisions about our day.

Sherry was supposed to babysit for the day. At 6:30 a. m. she told the mom that it would not be good for her to bring her children to our house. We felt badly about leaving them in the lurch.

I had a pastor's meeting scheduled and I cancelled it. I told them that he had no fever, and that I felt fine, but it is 2020, so I didn't want to expose them to anything I might be exposed to.

By noon he was fine. During lunch, Sherry and I evaluated him and talked about next steps. We decided that it was an allergy or morning crud. We also decided that a well child doesn't need to see a doctor. This morning, he was fine.

We also second guessed earlier decisions. Did we overreact? Did we do the right thing? I said, "We didn't overreact." Then I added with a play on words, "We Covid-reacted."

Overreacting is probably always bad. Covid-reacting out of an abundance of caution is a good thing until this plague ends.

We prayerfully lift one another as we all react to day-to-day events. May God give us health and wisdom as we Covid-react, but may God also keep us from fear and overreaction.

We also pray that this plague will end soon.

See you Sunday,  
Pastor Brad

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## **Sunday Schedule**

### **Option 1: Drive-in/Outside Worship. (8:15 am)**

Our platform is near the propane tank. Park in that area, and worship in your car. Or worship on the lawn with a blanket or a bag chair and an FM radio. Tune your FM radio to 90.5. Our broadcast range is limited, so you need to be on the church property to hear.

### **Option 2: Inside Worship. (10:30 am)**

Please observe physically distant seating. While we have overflow options, they have not been used. .yet.

While no nursery will be available, parents with small children can stay with them in the family room. The

worship service will be on the TV there.

Masks are required (with exceptions.) Masks are available at the door.

At 10:30, you can sit in the church yard or in your car and listen on the radio - FM 90.5.

### **Option 3: Worship online Live or Later.**

We will Live Stream the service on YouTube at 10:30 am. Liberty Chapel's YouTube channel is <https://www.youtube.com/c/libertychapelc>

You can watch the service on your computer or mobile device live. The service will remain on YouTube so you can watch it later. If the live stream does not work, the service will be uploaded soon after church, and you can watch later.

### **Sunday School (9:15 am)**

About half our classes have changed spaces. A map in the welcome center and signs on the doors will direct you. Or just ask.

Masks are required (with exceptions.) Masks are available at the door.

Children, sixth grade and younger, must be escorted to and picked up from their classes by a parent or the adult who brought them. If you need assistance, please let someone know.

Nursery will be provided for the Sunday School hour only. Parents and adults who bring children will take turns watching the children while other parents go to class.

We will not receive an offering during Sunday School.

The Explorers Class taught by Joe Gillen is meeting in Terry Hoffman's building with fresh air and physical distancing. If you are concerned about meeting in the classrooms, you are welcome to join them.

### **Healthful Choices and Risk Mitigation**

If you or someone in your household has a fever, or if you are not feeling well, please do not come to inside worship or Sunday School. Our ability to meet in person depends on our ability to trust one another.

We are only as safe as what any one of us does. If you go to a party, a social gathering, or a vacation, it is like we are all going with you. Please stay away from risky situations outside of church and observe proper mitigation precautions.

Choose the option that is best for you and your family. If you are in a higher risk category, you may need to worship outside or at home. . .but continue to worship.