

Rolla Church of Christ – Phase 1
“Show God Strong” Plan
(May 4-31, 2020)

Objectives:

- 1) Resume corporate worship services at the church building.
- 2) Resume in-person fellowship.
- 3) Maintain a safe and healthy environment for all the saints to gather to worship God.
- 4) Abide by the guidelines established by our governing authorities (Romans 13:1-7)

General Actions:

1. Beginning on Sunday, May 10th, we will have two Sunday morning worship services at the church building: First service begins at 9 am; Second service begins at 10:30 am. Families with a last name beginning with A-K are encouraged to attend the first service, while families with a last name beginning with L-Z are encouraged to attend the second service, if this is convenient for your family. Guests are certainly welcome at either service. This will allow the first service attendees to have adequate time for fellowship before the second service attendees arrive. We will not have any Sunday evening worship services during Phase 1.
2. Due to the difficulty in maintaining social distancing, children’s Bible classes, children’s Bible hour, and large fellowship gatherings, i.e. potlucks, Feed the Flock, etc. will not be held in Phase 1.
3. We will not be having Wednesday evening devotional or Bible classes at the building during Phase 1.
4. Smaller fellowship gatherings or activities where proper social distancing can be maintained will be able to resume. Examples of such gatherings are women’s sewing group, FriendSpeak Bible studies, devotionals, personal Bible studies, etc.

Specific Guidelines:

- 1) Maintain social distancing during worship services by encouraging family units to sit at least 6 feet apart. Likewise, maintain social distancing during fellowship time.
- 2) Use prepackaged communion cups and disposable bags for families and individuals to pick up in the foyer prior to the beginning of services. Take communion together during the worship service and place used containers in the plastic bag provided.

- 3) Have a secure container available in the foyer as a place for members to give their weekly contribution either before or after worship service.
- 4) Have greeters and door openers available to welcome attendees and direct them to the prepackaged communion, bulletins, offering container, etc.
- 5) Encourage anyone not feeling well or anyone who has a serious underlying medical condition to continue to remain at home as much as possible.
- 6) Encourage liberal use of hand sanitizer and other hygiene measures. **Cloth masks are designed to protect those around you – your brothers and sisters in Christ – from respiratory particles from you. Cloth masks are not designed to protect you from virus, as they do not provide an air-tight seal. With that understanding, everyone is encouraged to wear masks, gloves, or other Personal Protective Equipment as they feel appropriate.**
- 7) Activities outside the church building, where social distancing can be maintained, may be resumed pending the guidance of the ministry leader. Nursing home singing will not resume during Phase 1.

Vision:

- 1) Per Governor Parsons' guidance, we hope to begin Phase 2 of this plan on June 1st.
- 2) Resumption of Bible classes, more fellowship activities, weddings, and other events may begin in Phase 2.
- 3) Availability of our new multi-purpose building will add to the possibility of increased fellowship space for future events and activities.