

**Protocol for resuming Worship Services at First Unitarian Church during COVID 19
(Approved 02/24/2022)**

Our main concern is for the health and safety of Worship Service attendees as well as tenants and other people in the Building. In addition to the requirements outlined in this document, we wish to comply with COVID guidance from the Hawaii State Department of Health and the City and County of Honolulu. Everyone who uses the building needs to make themselves aware of DOH guidelines to prevent the spread of COVID.

1. People who have symptoms of COVID have an obligation to stay out of the building and away from others. These symptoms include fever, cough, shortness of breath. Other symptoms associated with COVID include recent loss of smell or taste, muscle aches, and sore throat. People who have had recent contact (within 14 days) with a person with COVID must also stay out of the building.

2. Anyone the age of 5 or over wishing to enter the building for Worship Services must be fully vaccinated (includes booster vaccination if eligible) and show proof of vaccination. Pre-registration will be available through the church website, by calling the church office, or on-site. No more than 50 people will be permitted in the Sanctuary. A maximum of 14 people are permitted in the Gallery at a time. People who use the building must practice social distancing and wear masks as recommended. Any attendee who subsequently tests positive for Covid-19 must report their positive result to the church office and through the AlohaSafe app.

3. The only rooms available for use are the sanctuary and the gallery. The study and rooms on the second floor are not available for member use during Worship Services. The kitchen will be closed for any food or drink preparation, and will only be used for access to/from the gallery, restrooms, and nursery.

4. Restroom Protocol: All door knobs, bathroom fixtures, railings, light switches, window pulls, and any other items touched should be sanitized with disinfectant wipes after touching. Sanitizing wipes are located in the bathroom and near most doors.

5. Face masks (to protect others) MUST be worn indoors when others are present. Face masks must completely cover nose and mouth and have ear loops or similar to hold in place. Gaiters and bandanas are not acceptable. Due to the transmissibility of the Omicron variant, we require attendees to wear a non-vented respirator, such as an N95, KN95, or KF94 face mask. We will have a limited number of KN95 or equivalent masks available for those who need them and who meet all criteria for entering.

6. Indoor space will be ventilated to the greatest extent practical by opening windows and doors.

7. Special Entry Instructions: The ramp door and the main door only will be used to enter and exit the building for Worship Services. People who enter the building are requested to enter their name(s) and contact information in a logbook kept by the entrance door. The back/kitchen entry will not be used. Hand sanitizer will be provided at each entryway and is required to be used upon entry.

8. Singers and Worship Leaders: All Singers and Worship Leaders should remain masked unless on camera. Preferably, only one singer or Worship Leader should be unmasked at a time. Congregational singing will be allowed, but masks cannot be removed while singing.

9. Staying safe from COVID is each person's responsibility. Keeping others safe from COVID is everyone's responsibility. Stay informed about Hawaii Department of Health recommendations and follow them. Where the requirements in this document differ from Hawaii Department of Health or City and County of Honolulu recommendations, the requirements in this document will prevail.

MAHALO for observing these guidelines. Working together we will keep healthy. Malama pono.