

Grace Church Milton Keynes

In person meeting: FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WILL I BE ABLE TO COME IF I HAVEN'T PRE-REGISTERED?

We are no longer asking people to book into our in-person meetings. We have lots of space at the Chrysalis Theatre and are able to make sure everyone has plenty of space. So feel free to come along without making a booking beforehand!

WHAT IF I HAVE SYMPTOMS?

Please do not attend if you currently have (or think you have) any symptoms of coronavirus. Please see government advice if you are self-isolating or living with someone who is self-isolating and/or is vulnerable.

HOW WILL I KNOW WHERE TO SIT?

Our Welcome Team will be on hand to show you to our ground floor or balcony seating areas. You can choose where to sit according to the clusters of chairs and your group size.

WILL REFRESHMENTS BE AVAILABLE?

It would seem to be an obvious answer to simply say no. However, eating and drinking together is a key value of ours, as a part of being God's family, so although we won't be serving refreshments right now we are looking at ways this could be possible in the near future. In the meantime please feel free to bring your own!

WILL THERE BE KIDS & YOUTH ACTIVITIES?

YES! We're delighted to now be able to offer creche, children's and youth activities MOST SUNDAYS in their respective rooms and we will continue to encourage hand-sanitising and covid-safe practices as best as possible. Children will always be welcome at any of our meetings. We would ask parents/guardians to be responsible for supervising them at all times and ensure they are able to follow all hygiene and social distancing precautions that are in place at all times.

WHAT ARE THE GUIDELINES FOR THOSE SHIELDING?

The government's current guidance if you are 'clinically extremely vulnerable' and were previously advised to shield is that 'you might want to take extra precautions to reduce the risk of catching coronavirus'. If you do choose to attend you should minimise any contact with others outside of your household.

WILL YOU TAKE MY DETAILS?

We are no longer required to take the names and contact details of everyone who attends an in-person gathering. We will give the option for guests to leave their details if they would like to be included in any of our guest events.

WILL I BE ABLE TO SING?

Government guidelines now allow us to sing (praise the Lord!). For these next weeks ahead, however, we are going to request that masks are worn whilst we sing. As always, we expect these to be genuine times of encountering the presence of God so come expectant and ready to fully engage!

I'M NEW TO GRACE CHURCH MK, CAN I COME?

Absolutely! You are so welcome. We'd love to help you get connected into the Grace Church family when you arrive.

WHAT WILL THE SAFETY PRECAUTIONS BE?

We're asking everyone attending our meetings to adhere to the following guidelines, for the safety and protection of us all.

- Maintain a good level of social distancing from anyone who is not in your household or support bubble.
- Please follow the one-way systems in place and as much as possible stay by your seats for the duration of the service.
- To help with an orderly exit after the service, and the possible risk of crowding near the entrance door, we will ask people to gradually make their way out while maintaining a safe distance.
- Clean your hands using hand sanitiser when entering and leaving the building and avoid touching door handles or other surfaces as much as possible.
- Please wear a face mask whilst moving around the building and when standing. **We are requesting that masks are worn whilst singing.** We will have spare masks available on arrival if you've forgotten yours.
- Please only use seating as directed by the Welcome Team.
- If you need to use the toilet, please follow our Welcome Team's instructions. We will be operating a one-in-one-out system with the toilets.
- Avoid touching your face (wash your hands if you do so accidentally) and use the crook of your elbow to avoid coughing or sneezing towards other people.
- If you feel unwell at any point during worship, please advise a member of the Welcome Team and leave the building as quickly as possible to seek medical advice. If you become ill after the event, you must contact NHS Test & Trace to advise them that you have attended a Sunday gathering at Grace Church Milton Keynes.

IS THERE ANYONE I CAN TALK TO BEFORE I ARRIVE TO FIND OUT MORE?

We'd love to chat any and all of this through with you, and so please get in touch and we will find the best way to talk things through.

I HAVE ANOTHER QUESTION NOT HERE...

You can email office@gracechurchmiltonkeynes.org who will be able to help and we may even include the question here for others!