IEC San Jose Guidelines on Church Re-opening

In accordance with California government and Santa Clara County announcement, we will re-open the church for Sunday Services on **November 1st, 2020 at 10 AM**. with the following guidelines:

**Please register if you want join the service at http://bit.ly/IECSJRegister. Max capacity for IS is 38 people and ES is 25 people. Let the deacon knows if you are unable/cancel to come so that your seat will be make available to others.

1. Social distancing:

- Congregation is strongly encouraged to observe 6-feet distancing within church facilities and parking areas.
- Seats will be marked and arranged to observe 6-feet distancing except for family or spouses.
- When the service concludes, congregation is asked to leave the room orderly starting last sitting row to the front row.
- Refreshment (food and drink) is temporarily not available. Congregant is expected to bring his/her own bottle of water if necessary.
- Congregation is encouraged to head out to parking areas and not to mingle inside the church after service ends

2. Face covering and hygiene practice:

- All congregation is required to wear face mask all the time within the church premises except when receiving Holy Communion.
- All congregation is strongly encouraged to maintain good hand hygiene, washing hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or applying hand sanitizer
- o Church will intensify cleaning and disinfection of frequently touched surfaces (chairs and tables).

3. Minimized shared worship materials:

- Church bulletin will not be distributed on printed paper and will instead be made available on-line/on website: https://www.gii-usa.org/sjc/
- o Offering box will be made available (no passing of offering bags) Offering through Zelle/on-line will remain available.
- o Individually (professionally) packaged wafer & grape juice will be used during Holy Communion.

4. Children Ministry/ Sunday School:

- Sunday School classes will continue to be online via Zoom until end of November 2020. We plan to open/start on the first week of December.
- Children Ministry Committee will provide details on classes schedule to parents and teachers soon.

5. Congregation with higher risk of illness:

- Congregation with any sign/symptom of illness or has been in close contact with a person with COVID-19 should remain at home.
- CDC (US health agency) recommends congregation of 65 years age and older to stay at home. Details on CDC recommendation at https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/need-extra-precautions/index.html
- Usher will check body temperature of attendants upon entrance.
- Church designates one emergency room at church (per CDC guideline) to be available should any congregation become ill during service.
- Live-streaming will temporary still be available at https://youtube.com/iecusa jam at 10AM.

Other ministries:

- Prayer Meetings and Young Adult Fellowships will continue through Zoom. The fellowships are planned to start in person on December without food or drink and will follow the church's re-opening guidelines.
- Choir practices and presentation will be postponed, except solo and virtually/video clips.
- Library ministry will be temporarily closed.
- o Pulpit flower ministry will be temporarily closed.
- o Table tennis activity will be temporarily closed.
- Home fellowships (EBF & SBF) and homeless shelter ministry will be postponed.