

OUR RETURN TO CHURCH

If you intend on coming to Outdoor Church on the 19th July or indoor Church in the future, there are a number of things you can do that would be a great help and will make things run smoothly on the day, whilst ensuring everyone is kept safe.

Firstly, to minimise the number of cars at the Church and the possibility of mixing, households are encouraged to arrive together, in one car, where possible. Households are also expected to sit together, where possible. It is understood that for some it may not be possible to all sit together and arrive together, but if most of the Church can do that, it will be a massive help!

Secondly, for outdoor Church, to ensure a smooth flow of people arriving on the morning, we ask that people arrive from 10:00am. We ask this for several reasons. Firstly, a smooth flow of people arriving ensures that there is limited social mixing and secondly, it helps the stewards who will be parking people and seating people, that they too will not be overwhelmed.

The same applies for indoor Church, and so:

Those sitting in the extension area please **arrive between 10:00am and 10:15am.**

Those sitting in the main Church area please **arrive between 10:20am and 10:40am.**

Thirdly, in the week of the service it would be helpful if you could let James know if you intend on coming so we have an idea of the number of cars and people coming, especially for outdoor Church if you require a car parking space.

Please contact him on 07955924760.

Please be aware, that as a part of the Government's Coronavirus guidelines, the Church must keep a record of those who came to the Church service for 21 days afterwards, which includes contact details. If you have any questions or are concerned about this, please get in touch.

Diagrams of outdoor/indoor Church can be provided if requested. Please get in touch with Donovan or a member of the board if you have any questions.

A guide explaining the rules and protocols of our return back to Crown Lane.

#togetheroncemore

It has now been over 100 days since we were last at Crown Lane worshipping our Great God together. Though we have been able to worship online each week and see one another over Zoom, nothing quite matches being together and worshipping God as one. Corporate worship is a blessing to be a part of, with each other at Crown Lane. Following the Government's alternations to the lockdown restrictions, from the 4th July, Churches are now allowed to meet again. Through this, the Board are now preparing plans for us all to be able to meet again.

Currently, the intention of the board is for our first Church service together again to take place on Sunday 19th July at 10:45am. This first service will take place outside. The Church building will also be set up to enable meeting inside if needed. Due to it being the summer months, the intention is to meet outdoors, especially as people get used to meeting together once more. We do plan on meeting indoors, however this will be flexible over the coming weeks and months.

OUTDOOR CHURCH

There are four different seating areas for outdoor Church. Firstly, the car park will be divided up into 20 spaces where people can park and listen to the service. The size of these spaces will also enable people to take their own seats to sit out in their space. Each space will be 2 meters apart and this space will be marked by red spray. These spaces have been designed for those who are more vulnerable.

There will be several seating areas around the car park area. The seating areas are made up out of blocks of seats. A block of seats consists of four seats. There will be some blocks by the pulpit area and a large number of blocks on the grassed area to the side of the car park. Seating will be provided. In the event of poor weather, seating will be made available within the Church. All seating areas will have a seating reference to help people sit in the correct seat and exit in the correct order.

If the need arises to use the extension area, people will enter the Extension via the extension door and exit via the fire door, turning left and walking alongside the extension towards the car park.

The toilets will be available and there is a protocol for their use but as the service will be relatively short, it would help us if people could avoid using the toilets if possible.

INDOOR CHURCH

The Church will be set up similarly to the outdoor seating areas. They will be set up in blocks of either 4 seats or 3 seats. Each block will be socially distant from other blocks. There will be plenty of seating within the Church to ensure everyone who wants to come is able to.

The extension area will be sealed off to enable up to 32 people who are considered vulnerable (over 70 etc) to sit. This area will consist of blocks of 2 seats. This area will be kept separate and no contact will be made between those in the extension and those in the main Church. We hope by doing this it will encourage those who are vulnerable and concerned about returning to Church that it is safe for them to do so.

When entering Church, people sitting in the main area will enter via the main doors and walk into the sanctuary. If you are sat in the sanctuary area, you will go to your block and enter the row from the right. The Church will be set up in such a way to enable this. You will exit your row to the left. The rear area will be set up in this way as well. All seating areas will have a seating reference to help people sit in the correct seat and exit in the correct order. There will be stewards to direct you to your seating area.

When exiting the Church, you will exit via the fire doors within the sanctuary and rear area. You will turn right and walk towards the car park. At the end of the service people will be told who can leave and when, to ensure social distancing is kept and social mixing is limited.

Those who are sitting in the extension area will enter via the extension door and exit via the extension fire door, turn left and walk alongside the extension towards the car park. Again, the extension seating area will have a seat reference to help people sit in the correct seat and exit in the correct order.

Toilets will be available and there is a protocol for their use but as the service will be relatively short, it would help us if people could avoid using the toilets.