

Dear New Hope Church and friends,

As the temperature has fallen, it has become necessary to move our worship service indoors. You can worship with New Hope in two ways: we will now be moving worship to the UEC Movie Theater (125 Premiere Dr. State College) and we are continuing to post a sermon and worship order on YouTube and through our website each week.

If you choose to join us in person, please read the following to help us make our meetings as safe as possible.

1. Everyone age five and over will be **required** to wear a face mask throughout the service, including the worship. With adequate social distancing our worship leader or pastor may remove their masks while up front, but will have them on at all other times. We will have a supply of extra masks if you happen to forget yours.

2. Please seat yourself in family groups at least 10 feet away from other groups.

3. For the duration of COVID-19, we will not be offering our kids program. We know not having a kids program is difficult, but we feel that this is the best decision to protect the health of all involved.

4. If you have recently had, or currently have, any of the signs or symptoms of COVID-19, or if you know you have had close contact with someone who has been confirmed to have the virus in the past 14 days, please stay home and access worship online. Symptoms to be concerned about include, but are not limited to:

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Unusual fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

If you have and cold or flu-like symptoms or are asked to get a Covid test within 7 days after attending a New Hope event, please call or text pastor Ben at 814-880-3049.

5. For now, please avoid physical contact as we gather. No hugging or shaking hands, and please try to keep a distance of at least 6 feet. Please be thoughtful of others by using extra caution.

6. Hand sanitizer will be available around the facility. Please use it as you enter.

7. We recommend giving your tithes and offerings by sending them to our PO Box 194 State College, PA 16804 or on our website through the giving tab <https://www.newhopesc.org/giving>. We are also planning on having a donation container at the theater if you prefer to give that way. We will not be passing the offering bucket.

8. We are working comply with state recommendations. Please stay up to date regarding changes by sending us your email to add to our weekly distribution list. Please send your email address to benorshannon@gmail.com.