



Safety guidelines should be openly discussed with your GC members and each GC should work to find a solution that is comfortable for all attendees.

Leaders, please be sure to review Phase 2 of [The Well's Re-Gathering Roadmap](#).

Some items to consider as GC's begin meeting together:

- If any member is experiencing any COVID-19 symptoms or feeling ill, they should not attend and should notify their GC leaders.
- Leaders should work to take accurate attendance during each gathering, and report GC gathering attendance to The Well. This includes family names and numbers of attendees.
- As groups enter a shared GC environment, please work to consistently sanitize hands. Be aware of furniture and other surfaces that are commonly shared.
- Be aware of social distancing recommendations (6 ft. of distance between family groups). Groups should consider meeting outside when possible
- If necessary and agreed upon by the group for members' comfort and safety, families should be prepared to bring and wear their own masks/face coverings.
- As gatherings finish each week, leaders and members should work together to disinfect door handles, common areas, and any other spaces that may have been used like furniture, counters, coffeemakers, etc.
- Realistically, many GC's have children, and groups should be prepared to have children playing or interacting. If needed, work to discuss if it would be necessary for groups to separate children to reduce the risk of infection – and what possible solutions might look like. The Well will provide some kids activities to help kids remain engaged during worship.
- Communion: As groups partake in communion together, members should not take communion via intinction (where worshippers break bread from a common loaf and dip into a common cup) and seek alternative ways to use single-serve communion elements, or agree on “bring-your-own” communion elements. If one family prepares the communion elements for the entire GC, every effort should be made to ensure “contactless” preparation and distribution of the bread and juice/wine by making sure that the elements themselves are not directly handled except by the person consuming them.