# September 2021

#### What to expect when attending a service in Church

Following the PCC meeting in September it has been agreed to further ease some of the restrictions we have been adhering to for services in church.

From Sunday 26 September, we will remove the need to sit in every other pew and allow you to make your own decision as to how close to someone you wish to sit. It is perfectly possible to sit at either end of a pew and still maintain space between you. This will allow for the increasing numbers of those attending. There should still be room for people to spread out should you not feel comfortable being in close proximity to others.

We will maintain the request to wear a face covering on entry and exit and whilst singing.

We will invite you to come forward to the altar rails to receive communion (still in one kind) and further direction will be given at the next communion service.

We have also decided to re-introduce coffee after the service starting on 10 October. If you prefer you are welcome to bring your own flask of coffee to drink so that you can stay and chat after the service.

We will no longer operate a booking system for services but we intend to record who is present in case anyone does test positive for Covd-19.

Please bear with us and with each other as we continue to move forward through this next season. What we have decided for now will continue to be reviewed regularly. Should Covid case numbers rise rapidly please be aware that some of our previous measures may need to be re-introduced.

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# Funerals (please see above information)

- Funerals are now allowed to go ahead with no limit in numbers but it may be that we will ask people to wear face coverings depending on the number attending and whether people are comfortable to be sat close to one another.
- Singing is allowed but again, there is still a possible risk involved so face coverings may be required.

#### **Burial of Ashes**

• Burial of Ashes can go ahead.

### Weddings (please see above information about services in church)

- Weddings can go ahead with no limit in numbers but it may be that we will ask people to wear face coverings depending on the number attending and whether people are comfortable to be sat close to one another.
- Singing is allowed but again, there is still a possible risk involved so face coverings may be required.