



Capital Covid Update From Pastor Steve Reynolds

I want to first of all say how proud I am of our church and how we have responded to the Covid Pandemic over the past fifteen months. We have grown through this crisis and not just gone through it! I now praise God for how circumstances are greatly improving with Covid.

At the beginning of this crisis we adopted two important guidelines. The first being that we would look to the Virginia Department Of Health for updates. They are the closest government agency to our church for providing local guidance.

The second being a ministry approach of red light people (not comfortable coming now), yellow light people (comfortable coming with great caution), green light people (comfortable coming with some caution). The goal was to not judge anyone, but to pivot and do our very best to effectively lead everyone in a growing relationship with Jesus. As we enter this next phase these continue to be our important guidelines.

Our Governor announced that effective Saturday, May 15 there are new mask guidelines: 1. "Virginia is lifting the universal indoor mask mandate. People who are fully vaccinated do not need to wear a mask indoors" (with a few exceptions). 2. "Virginia strongly recommends, but does not require, unvaccinated people to continue to wear a mask."

Our Governor also announced that effective Friday, May 28 all capacity and social distancing restrictions are lifted.

In light of this update effective Sunday, June 6 we will adopt these new guidelines.

With that said in regards to the masking and social distancing you do what your conscience and safety level dictates. Furthermore please do not judge anyone for their actions and know we will not be interrogating anyone.

Online services and many ministries will continue. If you have Covid symptoms please do not attend church until you are well. We will continue to thoroughly clean and sanitize.

Please email me at wecare@capitalbaptist.org if you have any questions.