



REENTRANCE TASK FORCE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Brothers Barry Charston Smith, II and Joe Lewis Thomas, Jr., Chairmen

Baber African Methodist Episcopal Church will return to corporate worship at the direction of the Monroe Co. Department of Health and the First Episcopal District.

Initial Reentrance Plan:

1. Pre-worship

- a. In this phase our corporate worship is limited to 120 persons or 25% of our sanctuary capacity. This number excludes our ushers, communication team, music department, and volunteers who will have their own reentrance plans. Members and friends who wish to attend worship must enroll no later than Wednesday at 12 noon each week. Members can enroll online or at (585) 461-1395.
- b. Come to church prepared with peppermints, Kleenexes, and small bottles of water, if needed, for health purposes.
- c. Please leave at home Bibles, pocketbooks, and other external materials as these items could create space for contamination.

2. Entrance Procedures

- a. Members and friends will enter at the side handicap entrance for corporate worship where one's temperature will be checked with a touchless thermometer. Admittance will be provided to members and friends whose temperature is less than 100.4 degrees (38 degrees Celsius).
- b. Touchless hand sanitizer stations will be available to members in the vestibule. Please use before entrance in the worship experience.

3. Worship Experience

- a. To ensure social distance in our corporate worship, members and friends must sit in the seat assigned to them. Members and friends will be seated on alternate pews and each pew will be numbered and colored coded for easier identification. The reentrance task force and church office will consider mobility issues, punctuality, and number of persons in one's household when making seating arrangements.
- b. Stations will be available for members to drop off their tithe and other contributions upon entrance and exit from the sanctuary.
- c. Two volunteers will be stationed on the lower level to provide frequent sanitation to the bathrooms.
- d. The water fountain should not be used.

- e. Communion will be held with prepackaged communion cup/wafer kits at the commencement of the worship experience. Members and friends will take communion in their seats.
- f. Children are to remain with their households.
- g. Church School, Children's Church, and Bible Studies will continue online until further notice. Time will be determined.
- h. Services will continue to be streamed on Youtube and Facebook live.
- i. There will be no altar call, fellowship time, congregational singing or recessional line in this phase of our worship experience. Members and friends should also avoid handshakes and close contact with persons.

4. *Exit Procedures*

- a. Members and friends will be dismissed row by row from the back of the church to the front. The Music Department will lead the church in worship as members and friends are dismissed.
- b. Members and friends will use the *church's main/front entrance* to leave the worship experience. Members and friends who need to use the elevator are invited to do so; however, please wait for direction from the ushers.

Other Notes:

- The ministerial staff, ushers, communication team, music department, and volunteers will rehearse before this phase the reentrance plan is implemented.
- The Reentrance Task Force will evaluate these plans each week and provide updates to the church on areas that will be readjusted.
- Services will be disinfected before and after worship each week in compliance with Center for Disease Control instructions.