

# ASCENSION CHURCH BATH

## USE OF THE CHURCH FOR PUBLIC WORSHIP

### Key notes for safe management of our main church building for our usual Sunday worship as we move on further through the Covid-19 pandemic:

(Other events may have different arrangements as they are separately Risk Assessed)

#### ***as you arrive***

- Please try and arrive in good time
- A steward will welcome you as you arrive.
- All we ask you to do at the moment is sanitize your hands as you come in, using one of the wall mounted dispensers in the church porch, or by the church office

#### ***during the service***

- face-coverings are no longer required, including when singing
- recognizing different people's needs and wishes we have arranged the seating in 2 areas:
  1. an area for those who wish or need to continue to keep a greater social distance from others, wear masks and be nearer direct ventilation. This is at the rear of the church from the Font forwards to the signs showing the end of the area.
  2. a larger area of chairs that are closer together, although still a little distanced to remind us of the need to respect distance from others.
- The church is a large space, and we will continue to keep the building well ventilated
- Cash offerings will be possible in the usual bowl, although giving on-line is safer for us

#### ***coffee and toilets***

- We are again sharing coffee after the service, but on a self-serve basis. If you are helping with washing up we ask you to be thorough, including with the cleaning of surfaces
- The toilets in the church are open. Please use the wall sanitizer mounted outside the toilet door for your hands both before and after using the toilet. Anti-bacterial soap is available. Please use the paper towels and dispose of in the bin provided.

#### ***worship when children are present***

- sometimes there are more children and their families present. We are mindful that children need to retain good distance from adults other than their families and make arrangements of furniture and the activities accordingly
- There are no longer any legal restrictions on children and youth groups, and it is no longer required to keep children in 'bubbles'. However, we ensure sensible cleaning and hygiene practices such as use of hand sanitiser gel, separate materials for each child etc.