



## LINDEN ALLIANCE CHURCH (LAC) COVID 19 PROTOCOLS

- Do not attend if you are experiencing signs of illness (including cough, fever, shortness of breath, runny nose, or sore throat) or if you being out of the country, exposed to a person who tested positive for COVID 19.
- If you want to sing you will need to wear a mask. For other than singing, masks at this point, will just be encouraged. Masks are available, if you are unable to bring your own.
- Sanitize your hands. Hand sanitizer stations are available throughout the building.
- Keep appropriate physical distance from others. (6 feet – 2 meters)
- The door will be open 15 minutes before the service if you are early, please stay in your vehicle until that time.
- Pre-registration is encouraged (plan your visit) If you pre-register online, you can bypass the registration line and enter through the fast-access line.

Registration information will be kept, by LAC, for two weeks and then will be destroyed. Information will only be given to Alberta Health Services, if a positive case of COVID 19 is identified during that service.

- If attending with children, they cannot wander unattended throughout the building. **Your children must remain with you at all times.** Sunday school will not be available at this time.
- Allow an usher to seat you. Once you are seated, please refrain from changing your seats or walking around the sanctuary.
- Wait in your seat, at the end of the service, until you are dismissed by an usher. Please exit the building promptly.



## LINDEN ALLIANCE CHURCH RECOMMENDATIONS

### **Do I need to pre-register?**

Pre-registration is the most efficient way to attend a weekend service. Please visit [lindenalliance.com/reopening](http://lindenalliance.com/reopening) to register online for the service you want to attend.

Pre-registration is available as long as we have capacity, which is limited due to physical distancing requirements. **After registering, you will receive an email outlining LAC weekend service gathering guidelines.**

If you are uncomfortable registering online, please contact us at [Office@lindenalliance.com](mailto:Office@lindenalliance.com) or call our office at 403-546-3088 and someone will be happy to register you.

### **When should I arrive?**

Doors will open 15 minutes prior to the service start time, to allow time to check-in. Please allow an usher to seat you.

### **Are guests welcome?**

Absolutely! Everyone who is healthy and not experiencing symptoms or being out of country, exposed to a positive case of COVID 19 is welcome to attend. Please encourage them to pre-register.

### **What will be different about attending LAC now?**

When you arrive, you will find all the helpers or volunteer wearing masks – this is for your protection. Upon arriving at the building, you will be directed towards the check-in or registration line. If you have pre-registered, please visit the check-in table for you to gain fast-access into the building. To enter the sanctuary, please enter through the designated entrance and wait to be seated by an usher. After the service, please remain seated until dismissed by an usher. Please exit the building promptly.

### **Are masks required?**

Wearing masks is encouraged but **not required except when you are sinning** . All attenders will be encouraged to wear a mask when in our building. The only exception is our platform presenters, who will not be masked, when they are on the platform. Wearing a mask protects others and makes it a safer environment for everyone.



### **Can I sing during worship?**

**Singing has been discouraged** by Alberta Public Health. If you want to sing, a mask will be required ( to reduce the droplet spread). Humming is permitted, without a mask.

### **What are the hygiene requirements?**

Everyone is asked to use hand sanitizer when they enter and leave the facility and before and after they use the washroom. Hand sanitizer stations are available throughout the building.

### **How are you maintaining physical distance?**

The capacity of our building is limited to ensure physical distancing can be maintained, in open common areas. Ushers will seat people to maintain space between households and cohorts. Masks will be encouraged inside the building where physical distancing may not be able to be fully maintained. It will provide additional protection in these instances.

### **What additional cleaning are you doing?**

We will be disinfecting high touch surfaces during the service. Alternate rows will be available to ensure no shared seating

### **Are there restrictions on who is allowed to attend?**

For the safety of everyone, we strongly encourage you to complete the online AHS COVID-19 self-assessment before you attend. If told to self-isolate, you may not attend. You may not attend if, in the past 14 days, you have had a fever, cough, sore throat, runny nose, nausea, vomiting or diarrhea, travelled outside of Canada. **We encourage you to join us online if you are unable to attend in person.**

### **Who can I sit with?**

You may sit next to anyone in your household, as well as any members of a cohort you may belong to. (The **cohort** concept encourages individuals who cannot maintain 2 meter physical distance when in group settings to interact with the same people within their own **cohort** group rather than switching daily contacts or randomly interacting with others outside that circle)

### **What doors should I enter and exit to the building?**

You will enter and exit to the church through the east door (facing the gas station), west doors at this point will be closed . Please keep all your belongings with you in the sanctuary.



### **About Sunday School and Nursery.?**

There will be no Sunday school or supervised nursery. Nursery will be open for kids under 24 months at this point

**Your children must remain with you at all times.** They cannot wander unattended throughout the building.

### **What if I'm unsure about attending?**

Choosing to return to in-person gatherings is a personal decision. We will continue to have an interactive online experience that you can engage with, on the weekends, if you choose not to return at this time. Church online will be available live and VOD during the week, at a time convenient for you.

### **What if someone who attends is found to have COVID-19?**

If you have wear a mask and maintaining physical distance, you would not be considered a close contact and would not be required to isolate if someone who attended the same service tests positive for COVID-19.

You may be contacted by Alberta Health Services to go for testing as a precautionary measure.

**The idea behind this that mask will lower the risk of getting COVID-19.**