

## Presentation of Christ Greek Orthodox Church

A Parish of the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Pittsburgh Reverend Father Constantine Kokanos, Parish Priest

June 13, 2020 Leave-taking of Pentecost

Dear Parish Family,

With the blessings of His Eminence, Metropolitan SAVAS, I am overjoyed to announce that the Presentation of Christ has entered the Metropolis of Pittsburgh "Green Phase." Effective June 13, 2020, we have new guidelines for the attendance of Divine Services, and all other parish events.

*To maintain order and social distancing, we continue to ask that you arrive and sign in no later than 9:40 AM.* Please arrive as early as possible, any time after the beginning of Matins at 8:30 AM.

*The following is a summation of significant "Green Phase" changes.* The complete document "The Road Ahead: Green Phase" is available upon request.

 Greater Attendance Levels We may now have community events in all our Church facilities, provided we do not exceed 50% capacity. *In both the Church and fellowship hall, please avoid seating that is roped off.* We should continue to avoid congregating in the Narthex or other small areas. Please maintain personal space of six feet at all times between households. Those who live together can sit close together.

Parishioners may now attend services without notice from Father Dean. *All those attending a service or any other function are asked to sign in* so that we can maintain contact records.

- 2) Meetings and other functions (including Fellowship Hour) may resume, *following all of these guidelines.*
- 3) Welcome back, beloved seniors! *Age restrictions on attendance for all services and functions have been removed.* Anyone, regardless of age, who has signs or symptoms of any acute illness should stay home.
- 4) Masks All those present must wear masks throughout the service. If you forget your mask, we will provide you with one. This does not apply to Clergy, children under the age of 10, and Cantors.
- 5) Stewardship, candles, or other contributions may be made through our website, by mail, or at the candle stand. *No trays will be passed. May God bless* the Christian Stewardship of our community for continuing to bring tithes and offerings to Him throughout this Pandemic.
- 6) **Veneration** Those who are comfortable doing so may resume the veneration of sacred objects such as icons in the traditional form.

Anyone who, out of abundant caution, chooses to stay home is invited to join us for services on Facebook Live. Your prayers are felt from a distance!

I can't wait to see you at Church! Fr. Dean