

Aloha Keawala`i`ohana,

Following the review of CDC guidelines, State and County regulations, and the advice of local physicians, the Church Council has decided to reopen our church sanctuary for Sunday worship once again. We will begin welcoming members and guests this Sunday, May 2, with the following precautions undertaken for the health and safety of all participants:

1. Masks will be required on church property at all times (including children over the age of 2) with the exception of certain worship leaders during worship. Please maintain a safe physical distance of 6 feet from other at all times (except those in your immediate family).
2. Participants will be required to sign-in (with phone number or email) in the event contact tracing is necessary.
3. Participants will be seated by Deacons in order to ensure adequate physical distancing. Family units may be grouped closer together. There is a limited number of possible seats in *hale pule* (sanctuary). Once the limit is reached, all others will be required to sit outdoors.
4. If you or anyone in your group is not fully vaccinated (minimum of 2 weeks after last dose) we encourage you to sit outdoors where there is better air circulation.
5. Singing will not be permitted, however, responsive readings and other recitations are allowed.
6. *Lūlū* (offering) can be placed in designated bowls prior to or after the worship service.
7. *Kahu* will not greet folks at the door following the service but will be available for brief conversation on the church lawn. Participants are encouraged to exit any door following worship.
8. Restrooms will be available, as will hand sanitizer and masks in the event participants have forgotten their masks.
9. No in-person Aloha Hour will occur on the church property. The Zoom Aloha Hour will open at approximately 11:15.
10. We will continue to celebrate communion on the first Sunday of the month, however, communion elements will not be offered to participants.

We look forward to welcoming you back to Keawala`i. We will carefully monitor the reopening process and adhere to medical guidelines to ensure the safety of everyone as we worship together. As more and more people are vaccinated and if our "numbers" remain relatively low we may eventually be able to relax some of the above restrictions. We will update you regarding future decisions as they are made. In the meantime, we will continue to livestream (and record) our worship services and make them available to you on Vimeo. We look forward to seeing you in church once again when that feels like the right decision for you. I look forward to seeing you in church.

Aloha ke Akua,
Kahu Scott Landis for the Church Council