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COUNTRY CLUB UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Report from the Health Team about Protection against Covid-19

The CCUMC Health Team has met and decided that it is now possible to relax some of the rules the church has had in place to protect people in the church against Covid:

- *Social distancing:* We can remove the signs asking people to sit in every other pew. It is **highly** recommended that we not sit extremely close to one another, but we may now sit in whatever pew we want. (We will keep the signs in case we need them again.)
- *Passing the collection plates:* In the coming weeks we may resume passing the collection plates for collecting both the offering and the attendance cards.
- *Wearing of masks:* For the time being as we enter flu season, we ask that everyone continue to wear masks inside the church. The youngish children (ages 6 to 11) are now starting to be vaccinated, but it will still be at least a couple of months before they are fully vaccinated. And no vaccine even exists yet for our very youngest children (ages 5 and under). In addition, we do not have a requirement that everyone who comes to worship be vaccinated, and we want to protect even vaccinated worshipers from getting a break-through case of Covid.

The Health Team will revisit this issue in early 2022 to see how both the infection rates are tracking and vaccination efforts are progressing.

We thank you, sincerely for your patience and commitment to providing a safe environment where people can worship without fear of compromising others' health.

Many blessings,

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