



October 12, 2020

Dear Parents & Guardians,

We are so excited to announce that we plan to resume **KidZone** (for ages 5-11) on **Sunday October 18 at 10 AM!** We know you are concerned about the spread of COVID-19. Ensuring our staff, volunteers, and children are in a safe and healthy environment is our first priority. Per guidance from the New York State government, we are implementing new measures including:

1. **Doors open at 9:45 and children should be taken directly to the KidZone room for check-in upon arrival.** For the safety of our staff & volunteers, we kindly ask that you do not enter the building before 9:45, but we do encourage you to arrive 5 to 15 minutes before the service begins to avoid congestion and close contact at the front doors and complete the check-in process.
2. **At check-in children must wear masks, sanitize their hands, and have their temperatures checked.** Any child with a temperature above 100 will not be permitted to stay in the building. If any child does not have a mask one will be provided. Once seated and socially distanced, masks may be removed. Masks must be worn if singing, moving around the room, and whenever 6 feet of distance cannot be maintained, except with members of their own household.
3. **Children must maintain at least 6 feet social distance from others, except members of their own household.** Seating will be arranged to facilitate social distancing. Due to limited capacity, children may be asked to sit with other members of their household/siblings.
4. **Snacks and drinks will not be served.** Please be sure your child has eaten a good breakfast before church. They may bring their own water bottle if needed.
5. **Children will spend the entire service in KidZone due to our buildings limited capacity and seating.** If a child needs to use the restroom, they will be escorted to and from by a member of our staff. Restrooms will be disinfected regularly. If your child needs you, a staff member will notify you. Please pick your child up from KidZone immediately following the service.
6. **Children will not share learning materials, except with members of their own household, and the facility will be cleaned and disinfected regularly.**
7. **All staff & volunteers will wear masks, sanitize their hands, and complete a health screening questionnaire and temperature check before working with your child.** Anyone with symptoms, a confirmed diagnosis of COVID-19, or contact with someone with a confirmed or suspected diagnosis of COVID-19 within the last 14 days, or who has traveled internationally or nationally to any area covered by the governors' travel advisory within the last 14 days, will not be permitted in the facility.

We need your help:

1. **If you or your child is sick, stay home.** You can worship from home online at www.newlife-saugerties.org.
2. **Notify us if you or your child develop COVID-19 symptoms during service.** These include: cough, fever, sore throat, and/or shortness of breath, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, runny nose, loss of taste or smell, nausea, vomiting or diarrhea.
3. **Encourage your children to maintain proper social distance, wear a face covering, practice proper hand hygiene, and cover their cough and sneeze.**

We will stay up to date with the federal government's recommendations as they may continue to change. In addition, **New Life Church** is in close contact with the local and state health department and is following their guidance. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact **Tim O'Dell, lead pastor, at 845.332.3149**. For additional information, please visit the [CDC's coronavirus disease information page](#).

Thank you for your commitment and dedication to the well-being of one another!

Sincerely,

Pastor Tim, Lead Pastor
Pastor James, Family Care Pastor
The Church Council