

LBC Outdoor Services

The following walks through the different parts of the Outdoor Service and explains what you may find different at each stage.

- It is now not compulsory to wear face-masks but we are suggesting you may want to bring one in case you find yourself in a conversation with someone else who might appreciate you wearing one.
- You may now sit with others outside your household. We just ask that you check with others before you sit near them.
- You may want to bring your own bible as church bibles will not be available. You may also want to bring a water bottle and a coffee cup. Tea and coffee will be served.
- Please dress appropriately for the weather there is no shelter available out in the open.
- There will be a stewards to direct you to the parking area and the seats.
- Hand sanitising stations will still be available for you to use.
- Social distancing is no longer required but please make sure others are comfortable with you being close to them and be respectful if someone steps back to create space.
- Toilets will be available. Wipes and hand gel will be provided, and we will still be asking everyone to wipe down all surfaces after each use.
- The chairs will be placed out but can be moved and grouped together when households agree.
- As part of the service music and worship songs will be played/ performed.
- Please check the weather and come prepared. In the event of extreme weather we will call off the service and notify you as soon as possible.

Policies and Legal Information

Community Behaviour Agreement

We realise that some who attend will be confident to do so while others will be doing so cautiously. While you may feel comfortable having people near to you please don't assume others do. On the other hand you will have to recognise that others may feel ready to socialise and are permitted to do so. There is a need for all of us to be aware of the various stages other people are at.

We will remind and take steps to inform people if others are feeling unsafe but also encourage people to make decisions to protect themselves if they feel unsafe. Some will see certain precautions as too cautious and others will feel people are not being cautious enough. We are acutely aware that the process for making these decisions has the potential to be divisive. In some respects it was easier when rules were more restrictive but at least definite. We appeal to everyone involved to be kind to each other, to listen well, to appreciate the pressure service leaders are under, and to compromise accordingly. This is a very vulnerable time for churches and we ask you to recall the exhortation in Ephesians 4 to "be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace."

Coronavirus Emergency Action Plan

Should someone attending the church display symptoms of Coronavirus the following steps will be taken:

- 1.The person will be asked to leave as soon as possible, return home and seek guidance from NHS111 as to self-isolation and testing.
- 2.Anyone known to have been in close contact with the case advised to wash their hands as soon as possible
- 3.Any surfaces likely to have been contaminated cleaned in line with cleaning guidance.
- 4.It will be considered whether to bring the service to an early conclusion.
- 5.Consult Health & Safety Executive website as to whether the event should be reported. <https://www.hse.gov.uk/coronavirus/riddor/>.

Privacy statement

Leominster Baptist Church Privacy Notice for collecting contact information.

As part of the conditions of gathering we will need to have a record of attendees and contact details in order to fulfil our responsibility to provide a safe environment at LBC during this COVID-19 recovery phase. The Charity Trustees of Leominster Baptist Church (as Data Controller) can be contacted by ringing 01568 368080 or emailing leominsterbaptistchurch@gmail.com

We will only use this information to contact you in the event that we believe you may have come into contact with a suspected case of COVID-19 at Leominster Baptist Church and it may be necessary to share your details with NHS Test and Trace if they are requested for the investigation of local outbreaks.

Your name and contact details will temporarily be securely stored in a locked cabinet in the church office. They will be retained for a period of 21 days in line with government guidance and then disposed of within the following 7 days.

Please inform Leominster Baptist Church as soon as possible if you test positive for coronavirus or develop any of the following COVID-19 symptoms: A high temperature, a new continuous cough and/or a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste

Data Protection legislation allows us to process this information as we regard it as being in the church's legitimate interest. The Information Commissioner's Office has published guidance on data handling during the pandemic. Please see www.ico.org.uk/coronavirus.

Should I attend?

Please note: While a risk assessment has been carried out and implemented no environment is completely risk-free and this will need to be taken into account as you make your decision on whether to attend or not.

While you are responsible for making the final decision on how to care for yourself and your family. We ask that anyone that is symptomatic not to attend and PCR tests are now available if you are unsure if your symptoms are from coronavirus. People with symptoms may have: Fever or chills, Cough, Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, Fatigue, Muscle or body aches, Headache, New loss of taste or smell, Sore throat, Congestion or runny nose, Nausea or vomiting and Diarrhea.

All attendees are also asked to follow government guidance on self-isolation after symptoms and/or positive test/contact tracing/returning from foreign travel.