## Dear Parents,

Greetings! I pray each of you are doing well and staying healthy! As you might have heard during announcements over the past several weeks, Katie Peck and I, along with the clergy of both St. Pats and Apostles have been working together to provide Children's Ministry for our kids in a safe and compliant way! Below are the steps we are prepared to take as Children's Ministry resumes:

First and foremost, for everyone's safety, we ask that you and your child refrain from attending public worship if anyone in your family meets these criteria:

- Is running a fever, or has run a fever in the past 24 hrs., above a temperature of 100.4 -and/or-
- Has developed a new, uncontrolled cough, that causes difficulty breathing -and/or-
- Experiencing diarrhea/vomiting -and/or-
- Has developed a new rash -and/or-
- Has been exposed to Covid-19 in a 48hr timeframe

## **Guidelines for attending Children's Worship:**

- We are asking that ONE parent accompany your child to the Fellowship Hall for Children's
  Worship. All kiddos will enter the Fellowship Hall via the first entrance on the left from the main
  staircase. We will have stickers on the floor marking the required 6ft social distancing, should
  you arrive and we are in the process of checking in another kiddo.
- Each child will be temperature checked before entering the Fellowship Hall.
- Once your child enters the Fellowship Hall, they will find their "Bubble" as we are calling it! This is a clearly marked space for the child that includes a mat to sit on (or small table and chair for our older kiddos), their own personal art supplies container and whatever is needed for that morning's lesson. Each child's "Bubble" will be 6ft apart (as required). Each child will have their own supplies for the week and will NOT be sharing amongst one another.
- We will require all children in 1<sup>st</sup> grade-5<sup>th</sup> grade, parents and adult volunteers as well, to wear a mask **at all times**, unless actively eating or drinking. Children in Kindergarten and below, are not required to wear masks per the "Guidance and Safety Expectations and Best Practices for Kentucky Schools-Healthy at School" documents issued by the state.
- We will maintain the required social distancing of 6ft with the children and adults alike, during Children's Worship, to the best of our ability.
- Handwashing and hand sanitizer will be provided and encouraged, when needed.
- At the end of our time together, we ask that one parent come to pick up your child and your family will then use the exit at the back of the kitchen to leave the building. This is to avoid creating congestion in the hallway.
- We will use the CDC suggested procedures for sanitizing and disinfecting materials and space, between Sundays.

In summary, we hope to provide a safe ministry environment through preventative measures on the front end, social distancing and facial coverings throughout worship, and through the restriction of shared supplies, etc.

Katie Hodge