



Local Kids Re-Opening Protocol

Great news! With careful planning, we're excited to open our Local Kids Ministry on the weekend of **September 13th**

Local Kids will be offered at the 9 am service ONLY, for **Nursery- Pre-school (3-months through 5-years-old)**.

Following the CDC guidelines, daycares, and partnership with other churches we are implementing the following safety measures to open up our early childhood rooms on Sunday mornings starting September 13, 2020.

Parents

- Each week families will [RSVP to reserve a spot for their child](#) in a designated area.
 - Once a family has RSVPed, an email reminder will be sent on what to expect and protocols to follow.
- We are a family of families at TLC and in order to provide sustainable care, we are requiring all parents who utilize Local Kids Ministry to pick one service to volunteer in one of the kid's rooms before December 1, 2020.
- Please leave all non-essential items, like toys, at home.
- Please bring a change of clothes in a marked plastic bag.

Check-In

- Our redesigned experience will extend to check-in as volunteers will help you at the check-in kiosks and handle sign-in sheets for you.
- We encourage you to only send **ONE** parent into Local Kids Room drop-off and pick-up to help limit traffic in the hallways.
- Touchless check-in:
 - When families arrive, parents will be asked to fill out a Covid-19 screening sheet for your family check-off.
 - A clean pen will be provided for each family.
 - Parents will also sign a waiver release form, acknowledging they understand the risks of putting their child in a classroom.

LOCAL Kids Safety Protocols

- Temperature Checks
 - Before kids, volunteers, or staff enter Local Kids rooms, they'll get their temperature checked by a touchless thermometer at check-in.

- We aren't able to check in anyone with a temperature of 100.4 degrees or higher.

Volunteers

- Volunteers will be required to wear a mask, gloves, and long sleeves the entire time serving in any room (Nursery - Young 5).
 - TLC will provide clear masks for volunteers, so kids can see those smiles!
 - TLC will provide long sleeve Local Kids shirts.
 - TLC will provide gloves each week.
 - Each Volunteer will be required to wash their hands before wearing gloves and entering the classroom.
- Video training on Covid-19 care and protocols will be provided at the beginning of September for all volunteers to view.

Class Rooms

- **Nursery** (3 months - 12 months)
 - Children under the age of 2 and babies will not wear masks.
 - Surfaces and toys will be cleaned before and after, as well as needed through their time in the room.
 - Diaper bags will remain with parents, TLC will provide diapers and wipes as needed
 - Cheerios will be provided as a snack, prepared, and distributed in the safest way possible.
 - Toys will be limited to items that can quickly and safely be sanitized.
- **2-3-year-old Room**
 - 1 volunteer will be assigned to check-in children and oversee managing cleaning throughout the hour.
 - GoldFish snacks will be prepared and served by a volunteer with gloves.
 - Individual bags of crayons and activity sheets will be provided for each child.
 - Orange Curriculum Teaching Videos and Worship will be viewed on TV.
 - Social/Physical Distancing games and activities will be shown on TV.
- **4-5-year-old Room**
 - 1 volunteer will be assigned to check-in children and oversee managing cleaning throughout the hour.
 - GoldFish snack will be served by a volunteer with gloves and fully sanitized
 - Individual bags with crayons and activity sheets will be provided for each child.
 - Orange Curriculum Teaching Videos and Worship will be viewed on TV.
 - Social/Physical Distancing games and activities will be shown on TV.

Cleaning

- We're sanitizing surfaces and toys frequently throughout the course of the morning as needed.
- Volunteers will be washing their hands before entering the classroom and wear gloves during their time serving.

- We've increased hygiene and cleaning protocols in our Local Kids ministry spaces during and between services.
- Additional hand-sanitizing stations will be available in the check-in and hallway areas.
- All toys and hard surfaces will be sanitized before and after every service.

Children 6 and Up

- We will continue to provide activity bags, crayons, coloring sheets, and toys for these Kids.
- We welcome the next generation and are inspired by the way they worship and engage our service in this unique time.



Guidelines for In-Person Worship @ TLC

At TLC we believe different is beautiful, and that **Jesus loves all of us**. Each person has their own level of comfort and safety which we respect. In-person worship will look a little different with capacity guidelines and limited programs, but Jesus is here, ready to be with you, just like always.

Scripture reminds us that “faith, hope and love” are central to our lives as followers of Jesus and that “the greatest of these is love.” As a demonstration of love for our TLC family and guests, please join us in these guidelines.

Before You Get Here

- [RSVP](#) to the 9:00 or 11:00 AM service to help us plan for capacity. **Anyone is welcome to RSVP** including people who are joining us for the first time. Welcome, we're glad you're here!
 - **Masks are REQUIRED** for the 9:00AM in-person service at this time. We continue to monitor our community and make changes when we can.
 - Masks are required through worship and community time at the 11:00AM in-person service. Once seated for the message you may remove your mask, but please put it back on as you exit the building.
- Check to make sure you don't have any of the [known symptoms of COVID-19](#). If you do, please stay home, cancel your RSVP, and [join us online](#).
- Bring your own mug of morning goodness! Food and beverage service remain paused.

When You Arrive

- You are so welcome here! Our hospitality team will be smiling behind their masks, ready to help you find a seat with limited contact.
- If you're new to TLC, we're so excited to meet you! Our Guest Hub will be open and ready for you in the lobby. We have a sanitized gift bag ready for you.
- Hospitality team members will guide you to a socially distanced seat.
- We ask that families sit together and leave at least two open chairs between you and the next group in your row.
- At the end of the service, we will be dismissing rows from back to front. Please wait for your turn and exit carefully.
- We love you and we can't wait to catch up! Plan to join your TLC family outside the building if you'd like to stay and talk.
- Check out the signs directing you. Some areas of our TLC facility may be closed to regular use. This is to help limit contact and keep our building as clean and safe as possible.
- Our team will regularly clean and sanitize commonly used surfaces.
- Hand sanitizer and restrooms will always be available.

Frequently Asked Questions

I'm new here! Can I attend in person?

Of course! We're happy to welcome you! See info below.

Are there health and safety requirements to attend in person?

For the time being, we are requiring those who are attending our in-person at service at 10am to wear a mask. As followers of Jesus, we know that Scripture tells us to be filled with "faith, hope and love" and that "the greatest of these is love." We know these are difficult times and not everyone will land on the same page as how to navigate all of this. We chose to stand in love in our decision to require masks at our in-person gathering. Although we don't know when, we hope this is a temporary shift and will continue to monitor and most importantly pray through what we need to do as a church. Check to make sure you don't have any of the known symptoms of COVID-19 or have come in close contact with someone who has. If you do, please stay home and [join us online](#).

Are there capacity restrictions?

Yes! Out of respect to everyone's safety we are maintaining social distancing guidelines as we regather. We can safely accommodate approximately 130 people in the sanctuary for each service. We ask that households sit together and leave at least two chairs distance between you and the next group in your row. We're also closing some rows to allow for greater distance.

How will I know if there is room for me?

We're encouraging everyone who plans to attend in-person services to RSVP online. And there is always room for everyone through our online live-stream.

How do I RSVP?

If you would like to attend the on-site worship service on Sundays, please register here. When you RSVP, you agree to abide by these worship service guidelines.

Only one member of your household needs to register and give the number of attendees in your group. Your RSVP will help us plan capacity at each service. You'll need to register each week for the upcoming service of your choice.

You will be notified of RSVP confirmation via email.

Whether you're brand new or attend regularly **everyone** is welcome to RSVP! If you do not receive a confirmation email following your registration, your RSVP is not complete. Please contact info@localgr.org for help.

Will everything be "back to normal" at TLC?

Things will still look a little different and programs may be scaled back.

- Local Kids Ministry programming above the age of 5 is still paused.
- Food and beverage service will not be available, so bring your favorite mug of morning brew!
- Check out the signs directing you. Some areas of our TLC facility may be closed to regular use. This is to help limit contact and keep our building as clean and safe as possible.
- We have disposable masks available for those who need one or didn't bring their own.
- Small groups are meeting at their discretion. Check with your group leader for details.
- We appreciate your grace as we regather. Each person has their own level of comfort and safety which we respect.
- Contactless offering drops will be provided, and you can also give online or mail in a check.
- We're going paperless! Your Sunday morning handout will be provided digitally via a QR code displayed throughout the building.
- High traffic areas including doorknobs and hard surfaces will be cleaned at regular intervals.
- The facility will be sanitized between services.

Can I still get prayer if I need it?

Yes! There are volunteers who would love to pray for you. Reach out during the online service, email us at hello@localgr.org. or connect with us at the "Need Prayer?" sign in the church.

What should I do if I feel that my fellow worshipers are sitting too close to me?

At TLC we love and respect that different people have different levels of comfort when it comes to regathering. If you're feeling uncomfortable, graciously ask if your fellow worshipers would move a bit further away, or you can choose to move to an area where you feel safely distanced. There is so much love and grace to go around, and we can all respect each other's boundaries.