

Drive-in Religious Services FAQ

How can members attend our drive-in services?

All members should stay in their cars with the windows up.

Why is it important for our members to remain in their own cars?

COVID-19 is highly contagious and spreads from person to person. The virus is thought to spread mainly between people who are in close contact with one another (within about 6 feet) through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes. Gatherings of people pose a greater risk of COVID-19 transmission because they increase person-to-person contact and because many people can still transmit COVID-19 even if they don't have symptoms or feel sick.

Where should we have our services?

Services should be held at an outside venue, such as a parking lot. The outdoor site should accommodate attendees while they remain in their cars. The size of the venue will determine the number of participants to ensure there is at least 6 feet of space between all cars.

Who should we invite to our services?

The number attending services should be limited to only members of the house of worship.

How can we deliver our service?

The service can be broadcast via car radio, allowing members to remain in their cars with the windows up. Livestream or other online worship options can be considered for those who are unable to attend.

Can cars be running during the service?

We do not recommend allowing cars to idle during the service due to increased emissions. If battery life is a concern, ask members to bring a portable radio.

What if a member is sick?

Anyone who is sick should stay home and not attend services, but watch remotely.

Can communion be provided or served?

During the COVID-19 pandemic, houses of worship and religious organizations should serve or distribute communion with caution. If you choose to provide communion, it should be served or distributed pre-packaged in an effort to limit handling. The communion package should be distributed by someone wearing gloves and covering their mouth and nose with a mask, scarf or bandana. Every effort should be made to limit people gathering together in close proximity (less than 6 feet) to pick up communion and/or receive communion.

What if we have members who are not comfortable attending drive in services?

Members who are uncomfortable attending drive-in services or who must stay home due to illness, can take advantage of other online worship options like livestreaming.

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