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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

CONGREGATIONAL RE-OPENING SURVEY

From the recent survey, we can make some observations about the congregation's desire to return to in-person worship and small group gatherings. One observation is that the majority of people value safety over risk and also that they would cooperate with reasonable guidelines to keep themselves and others safe. However, in a group size of 1,800 people, there are varying degrees of risk tolerance that people are willing to accept. The survey also highlights that the majority of people surveyed are not ready to return to in-person gatherings and worship. The age demographics help us to determine that the majority of those desiring to attend small groups/ Sunday School classes and also attend in-person worship at the first opportunity are in a high risk category. At this point in time, the House & Properties Task Force feels it is necessary to continue to worship online until a safer margin exists.

The team is also working on a phased approach to returning to in-person worship as well as small group gatherings. When the appropriate time comes to return to the church campus, there will be a conscious effort to have dual offerings for those who want to wait a little longer before returning in person. The next report from the team should be available in the near future along with some FAQs on what to expect when returning to the church campus. Thank you for taking time to share valuable information in the church wide survey, and be on the lookout for the next report.

Stay safe,
House & Properties Task Force

HOUSE & PROPERTIES TASK FORCE

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- Paul Leaver | Lay Leader, House & Properties
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- Sandra Putnam | IPC Administrative Assistant



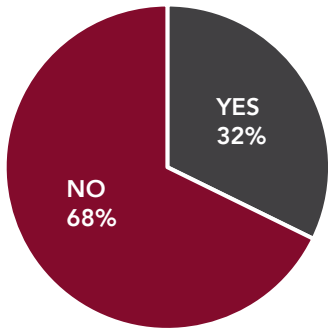
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DATA

The House & Properties Task Force sent an electronic survey to all IPC members and a paper survey to our members who are 70 years old and older in June. The task force is grateful to everyone who provided their opinions. As of July 27, we received nearly 500 responses online and by mail and will be using the feedback in helping to make decisions about safe in-person worship and other gatherings.

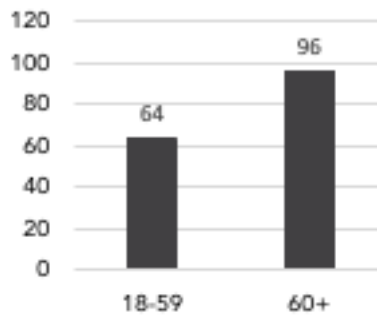
QUESTION 1

If small groups and Sunday School classes are allowed to meet in the church building prior to the time Sunday in-person worship is allowed, would you attend?



ANSWER	RESPONSES
Yes	160 (32%)
No	336 (68%)

"YES" REPNSES BY AGE GROUP

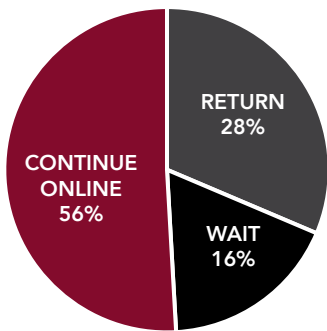


AGE	RESPONSES
18-59	64 (40%)
60+	96 (60%)

Of 496 total responses, 87% would not attend or are in a High Risk Group. 13% would attend and are not in a High Risk Group.

QUESTION 2

When the first date is announced for in-person worship in the sanctuary, recognizing that worship will not immediately include singing, passing of the Peace, etc., we will...



ANSWER	RESPONSES
Return at the first opportunity	140 (28%)
Wait several weeks before attending	79 (16%)
Continue online worship until we feel it's safe to return	277 (56%)

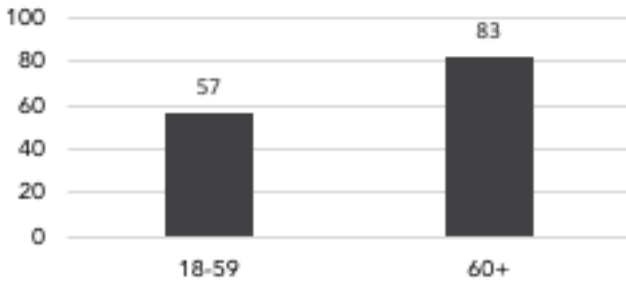


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QUESTION 2 CONTIN.

"RETURN AT THE FIRST OPPORTUNITY" RESPONSES BY AGE GROUP



AGE	RESPONSES
18-59	57 (40%)
60+	83 (60%)

BREAKDOWN OF OTHER RESPONSES

WAIT A FEW WEEKS

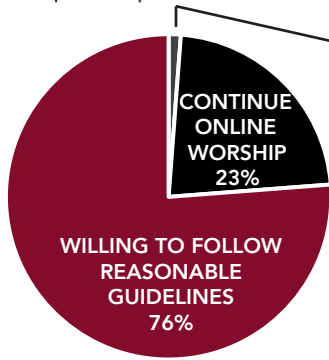
AGE	RESPONSES
18-59	36 (46%)
60+	43 (54%)

CONTINUE ONLINE WORSHIP

AGE	RESPONSES
18-59	79 (29%)
60+	198 (71%)

QUESTION 3

When the church returns to in-person worship, would you be willing to follow protective guidelines such as wearing masks, sitting six feet from the nearest person and/or family, and/or follow one-way entrance and exit paths put in place for the service?

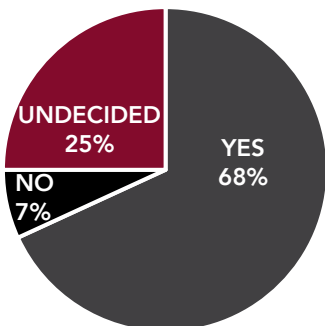


RATHER WORSHIP WITHOUT PROTECTIVE GUIDELINES
1%

ANSWER	RESPONSES
Would rather worship without any protective guidelines	6 (1%)
Will continue to worship online until these protective measures are no longer necessary	112 (23%)
Willing to follow any reasonable guidelines that are put in place	378 (76%)

QUESTION 4

Would you be willing to attend a worship service at a different time than you typically attend to allow people to spread out so that proper social distancing is maintained?



ANSWER	RESPONSES
Yes	338 (68%)
No	34 (7%)
Undecided	124 (25%)

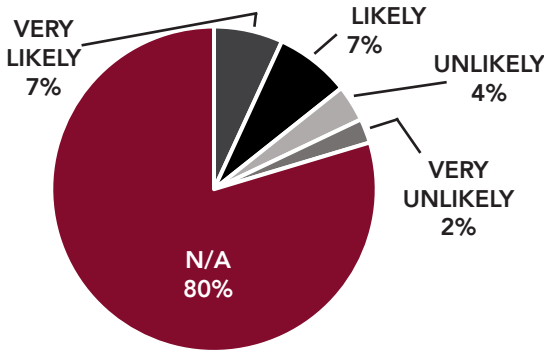


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QUESTION 5

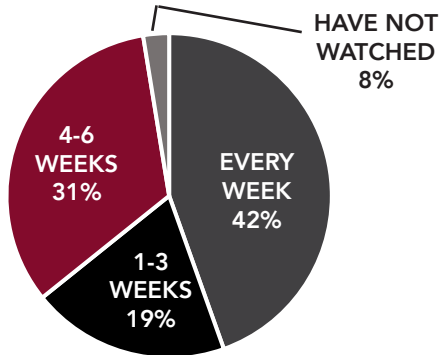
If you have children, how likely is it that you would attend as a family without nursery, children’s classes or Sunday morning youth activities? All children and youth would be with their families during worship services.



ANSWER	RESPONSES
Very likely	34 (7%)
Likely	37 (7%)
Unlikely	18 (4%)
Very unlikely	12 (2%)
N/A	395 (80%)

QUESTION 6

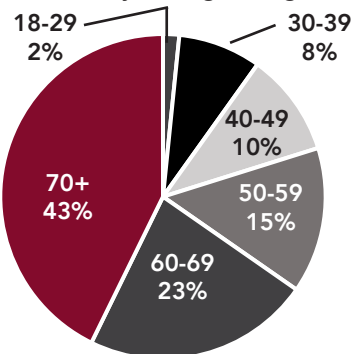
How often have you watched the worship services online since Sunday, March 15?



ANSWER	RESPONSES
Every week	208 (42%)
1-3 weeks	92 (19%)
4-6 weeks	155 (31%)
I have not watched worship	41 (8%)

QUESTION 7

What is your age range?



ANSWER	RESPONSES
18- 29	8 (2%)
30-39	41 (8%)
40-49	51 (10%)
50-59	72 (15%)
60-69	112 (23%)
70+	212 (43%)