

COVID SAFE PROTOCOLS FOR SUNDAY SERVICES (Current at 31 March 2022)

If you are not feeling well, please take a rest at home and DO NOT attend the service. If you are experiencing respiratory symptoms, please see your doctor and be tested for COVID-19.

We are carefully monitoring the continually evolving COVID situation in Queensland and updating our protocols accordingly.

Protecting the health of all in attendance is of paramount importance. It is good to see that attendees have adjusted to the modified practices. Please take note of any changed arrangements published here, highlighted in the weekly newsletter and announced at the beginning of the service. If in doubt, check with an usher. We will continue to be conservative in our arrangements and will carefully monitor COVID developments and recommendations.

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO WEAR THE PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (eg MASK) WITH WHICH YOU ARE COMFORTABLE - OUR CONGREGATION WANTS YOU TO FEEL SAFE AT WORSHIP.

- Vaccinated and unvaccinated people are allowed to attend services. Attendees must maintain social distancing unless wearing a mask or from the same household group ie 1.5 m distance.
 - There are coloured markers to indicate where to sit in pews. Please sit with a marker at your back. Please avoid moving around the church or changing your seat during the service.
 - Announcements about procedural matters are made before and after the service, as appropriate. Instructions about the modified communion procedures will be announced.
 - We do not use hymn books for the service order; rather you will be given a single-use booklet. The paper is re-cycled.

- Ushers will assist you with seating, guide you when communion is distributed and help with the flow of people as we leave the church building.
- You may light candles in the prayer bowl - please do not touch candles you do not use.
- There is no collection, but you are invited to make a retiring offering as you leave the church. You are encouraged to use electronic giving facilities to provide financial support to St Andrew's.
- The toy box has been removed so if you have children who normally might use the toy box, please bring your own toys.
- Morning tea will usually be served after the service. Refreshments will be brought to you. Please do not serve yourself.
- Please: No shaking hands or hugging friends that you may not have seen for a while. Practise social distancing at all times, unless wearing masks or from the same household.

- We will take your temperature when you enter the church. If you have a temperature above 37.4 we will recommend you seek your doctor's advice and have a Covid test. If you wish to remain for the service, we may ask you to sit at the rear of the church and leave the service before others to minimise the risk of transmission of the virus amongst the congregation and, in particular, the vulnerable members.