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ECC COVID-19 Update
Covid Task Force Recommendations
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Dear ECC Church family,

As you know, local COVID-19 cases have been rising as a result of the more contagious Delta variant. While there have been some known breakthrough cases of infection among fully vaccinated people, the current vaccines available are still incredibly effective at significantly reducing the risk of developing serious COVID-19 disease, including hospitalization and death. Most of the serious infections are happening in the unvaccinated. We strongly encourage everyone, if you are able, to get vaccinated, for your sake and for the sake of those around you.

One thing that is now known, for the vaccinated who have become infected, is that they can transmit the Delta variant. That is why everyone, regardless of their vaccination status, should wear a mask indoors.

Updates of upcoming events:

- For the upcoming Joint Worship service on September 12 in the Magnuson Park Airplane Hanger, we still plan on holding this event, unless King County directs us otherwise.
    - The space is very large and well ventilated.
    - Given that there will be fewer people in attendance, there should be more room for people to spread apart.
    - There will be a separate unvaccinated/partially-vaccinated section that will provide for physical distancing.
    - Everyone will need to wear a mask.
    - Food will be provided for people to eat outside or take home.
- Fall Retreats
    - Everyone who attends an overnight retreat must be vaccinated.
    - We encourage people to remain masked as much as possible.
    - We encourage people to consider their own personal circumstances. If you have unvaccinated family members, or if you or a family member are immunocompromised or at a higher risk for complications due to COVID-19, you may want to reconsider whether or not you should attend an overnight retreat, even if you are fully vaccinated.
- Children's Ministry
    - We plan on resuming Children's Ministry in the Fall. We will mirror the requirements and safety protocols of the local public schools so as not to increase the risk to your family.

We will continue to walk that difficult balance with you, between safety from COVID-19 and considering the importance of the spiritual health and community life of our ECC family.

May God bless you and keep you safe,

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