

Protection plan

Principle: Physical Distancing – But socially kind and spiritually united

The IECL is offering a regular Sunday service in the premises of the Methodist Church on Sunday at 12:00 noon. Please refer to the website for the detailed program, since we also meet regularly on Zoom.

Our protection plan remains in place and has been adapted based on the latest restrictions by Authorities of the Canton de Vaud and the Federal Office of Public Health (FOPH, BAG) taking effect September 13, 2021. The guiding principle is INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBILITY.

1. Participation

-A maximum of 50 persons can participate in a service, since we currently do not check the Covid certificate.

-Participation is an individual decision.

-Those who are feeling ill or experiencing symptoms like cough, cold, fever and anyone who has been in contact with an infected person in the last 2 weeks stays at home.

The church leadership reminds participants of the general hygiene measures based on the guidelines of the FOPH (BAG). These include frequent washing of hands and keeping a safe distance of 1.5 meters.

-Wearing of mask is compulsory.

2. Sitting

-Due to the prescribed social distancing, a maximum of 50 people can be together in the main chapel at the same time. Please keep the safe distance. People who live together under the same roof can sit together. The first row remains empty.

3. Disinfection

-The church premises are disinfected before and after our service by the concierge.

4. Entry and hygiene station

-Entry to the church is through the main entrance (Côté Riponne).

-A hygiene station (masks and disinfectant) is set up at the entrance. Each person must disinfect their hands. Wearing a mask is compulsory. Handshakes and Bisous are prohibited.

5. Worship

-Everybody remains seated during the whole service. Singing is allowed with mask. The lead singers can sing from the front without mask, keeping the safe distance.

6. Lord's supper and Offering

-The sharing of the Lord's supper is possible, since we use individual cups. Its preferable not to cut bread, but serve crackers which do not need any cutting. These crackers are distributed with tongs.

-We collect the offering with individual offering bags.

7. Record of participants

-We are obliged to keep records of the participants. Regulars will be ticked off on a copy of the church address list. Visitors must give their names and phone number. This list will be transmitted to the authorities in case of infection of a participant.

The list of participants will be kept privately by one person and destroyed after two weeks.

8. Contact tracing

-Any person infected with Covid-19 should immediately alert the church leaders if she/he participated in a Sunday service.

9. Various

-The use of the sanitary rooms is limited to one person at a time.

-Sharing of the aperitif for fellowship after the Sunday service is possible. Eating together is allowed when seated.

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