

# Unitarian Universalist Church of Fresno

## Welcome Back to our Church Campus Families, Kids, and Youth

### **What is church going to look like for families with children?**

Everyone who wants to participate in church events on campus has to wear a mask at all times, both inside and outside. This includes children age two and up, per CDC recommendations. Everyone will also practice social distancing and stay six feet apart from people outside their household. This includes all children.

Families with children are welcome!

### **What if my child has a hard time keeping her mask on?**

That's okay! No one is going to scold you or your child. We ask that children try their best. Staff will provide gentle reminders if your child is having a hard time keeping their mask on during Children's Programming. If they need to take a quick "mask break" they can do so outside and away from other people. We're doing the Children's Programming outside because outdoor, open air spaces are the safest way for children too young to be vaccinated to socialize with each other.

### **We're a family with children age 4+, what should we do when we get to the church campus?**

Check in with our Sunday Children's Programs Staff at their outside Sign-In Table in the breezeway. If you don't know where our breezeway is, don't worry. We have brand new campus maps at the start of our two main sidewalks, and there will be orange vested greeters to point the way.

There will be outdoor, age appropriate and fun activities for children ages 4 and up during the service.

### **We're a family with children *under* 4, what should we do when we get to the church campus?**

While we don't recommend that unvaccinated children enter the sanctuary, we will respect your wishes and decisions. Our ushers will help you find the socially distanced area of the sanctuary or the outdoor seating area. We ask that you and your children sit together as a family unit. There will be sanitized play mats and toys for toddlers to play with during the service, if you would like to use them. We ask that you keep your children with you during the service and not let them walk around the sanctuary without you.

There will be no staffed child care available for children under age 4, for their own safety. Children age 3 and 4 will need to wear a mask in the sanctuary. Children age 2 and under do not need to wear a mask.

### **What should my vaccinated teen / youth age children do during the service?**

They are welcome in the sanctuary to experience the Sunday Service with you or they can earn community service hours by helping with our masked, socially distanced children's programming outside. Have your teens or youth check in at the outside Children's Program Sign-In table in the breezeway if they would like to help.

### **What if my children get overwhelmed by the children's programming outside and want to come sit with me inside?**

While we don't recommend that unvaccinated children enter the sanctuary, we will respect your wishes and decisions. Your child can join you in the socially distanced area of the sanctuary or the outdoor seating area. We just ask that you sit together in the socially distanced section. Your child will have to wear a mask to sit in the

sanctuary. Another option is to walk or sit with them on our beautiful church campus, including the Alluvial Community Gardens.

**What if it isn't any fun and my kids don't want to participate?**

We've been doing outdoor, masked, socially distanced activities for the past few months and the staff has figured out some really fun ways to keep kids entertained in a safe way. The kids will have a good time, and we are always open to new ideas on what might make things work better.

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We Can't Wait to See You Soon!**