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MASK UPDATE - On Tuesday, July 27, 2021, the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) updated recommendations following new information about the highly transmissible Delta variant. The primary change that applies to our faith community is the recommendation for fully vaccinated people to wear a mask in public indoor settings of substantial or high transmission (which includes Scott County). "**Preliminary evidence** suggests that fully vaccinated people who do become infected with the Delta variant can be infectious and can spread the virus to others." Individuals not fully vaccinated should continue to always mask indoors. Additionally, the CDC suggests that "fully vaccinated people might choose to mask regardless of the level of transmission, particularly if they or someone in their household is immunocompromised, at increased risk for severe disease, or if someone in their household is unvaccinated (including any persons who have not completed vaccination, who cannot be vaccinated, and those who are not eligible for vaccines, including children less than 12 years of age)."

Our Risk Management Team, who stays abreast to the current CDC guidance, recommends that masks be worn at all times while worshipping indoors regardless of vaccination status.

We look forward to worshipping this week in-person, online, and outdoors! For further information on the latest COVID-19 updates, [click here](#).

Walking in God's love with you and for you,
Pastor Alicia and Pastor Ben Hilding