

During the Covid 19 “season”, we planned an outdoor church service held on Sunday evening, July 12. It was held on the front lawn with spaces designated 13 feet apart, requiring people to wear face masks, and suggesting they bring their own seating. 32 people attended from 16 households.

During Covid 19, Pastors Kate Heinzl and Ben Wideman have taken the lead on zoom church with Ben as the I.T. Person and Kate as the main sermon presenter. The worship committee has volunteered as needed with the service.

During Advent we proposed to have the sanctuary in the church building open on Mondays from 12 noon to 1:00 p.m. and on Thursdays from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. with at most 8 people at a time sitting 16 feet apart to meditate, to pray, to light a candle, to watch an Advent video. Requirements included wearing masks, sanitizing hands, entering through one door and exiting another. After much consideration, the BUGG denied the worship committee's request due to the current large spike in Covid-19 cases and hospitalizations.

This year's Advent Theme is THOSE WHO DREAM. This will be evident in the sermons, the scripture, the prayers, and readings. Kate also had dedicated to email a daily Advent devotional message to those who want it.

Christmas Eve will be a zoom service with Kate, Ben, and Ruth Kitchin Tillman planing the program.

The Worship Committee:

Kate Heinzl, Ben Wideman, Esther Prins, Ruth Kitchin Tillman, Karl Bartsch,  
Gloria Horst Rosenberger, chair