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Dear Friends,

I have great news, at last we are able to return to church for services, and I am so looking forward to seeing everyone again.

We will open from Sunday 26th July for services of Holy Communion at 10am and 11.30am

and from Wednesday 29th July at 10.30am for Holy Communion BCP.

PLEASE NOTE, THINGS WILL NOT BE THE SAME AND THERE WILL BE SOME RESTRICTIONS.

We will have limited numbers in church and so you **MUST** either ring or e-mail me to book a place at the service, my number is 01772 727208 or e-mail is revrie52@outlook.com. If you do not book a place you may not be able to come into church.

If you come to church on a Wednesday, please do not come on Sunday, and if you come on a Sunday please do not come on a Wednesday keeping to just one day will allow others to come to church.

We can seat up to 3 people in a pew if they are from the same family or they are living together in a bubble. There will be no "saving" pews for friend's groups sitting together as has been before. Your seat will be allocated for you when you book a place. If you turn up and have not booked, if there is no room, I am sorry you will not be allowed in.

Church will only be open 10 minutes before the service will start, you will not be allowed to come in before that.

There is a one-way system in church, entrance will be by the hall and exit will be out through the main porch onto the car park.

There will be a steward on duty to help you with your seating, your hygiene needs, to tell you when it will be your turn to go to the Altar rail for communion and to ask you to leave church when it is your turn to go.

We will endeavour to maintain a 2m social distancing rule throughout.

All services will be Holy Communion, and it will only be in one kind so you will only receive the consecrated host, no wine.

There will be no singing in church, and it will be a shortened, said service.

We will not be able to share the peace by shaking hands, but we can continue to share the peace using British Sign Language, as we have already started to do so.

You will be asked to wear a mask at all times when you are in church, please bring your own if you have one.

Please bring your own hand sanitiser if you have some, it's always good to have it, although it will be supplied in church.

Collection will be on the plate at the back of the church, the plate will not be handed round, please leave your donations at the back of church. Please bring any envelopes you have filled and saved during the shut-down with you when you come to church. Thank you.

Details of your attendance will be retained to assist with NHS Trace and Track should this be necessary. Your details will be kept safely according to GDPR regulations, will not be used for any other purposes or given to anyone else and will be destroyed after 21 days.

We have no facilities for children in church at the moment. There is no Sunday Club, and there are no toys in church, so for the time being, on Church of England recommendations, we will not be admitting children to church. We are monitoring the situation and will revisit this decision as soon as we can.

Whilst we have taken every possible precaution to ensure your safety while you are in church, I have to say that everyone is responsible for their own risk and safety when they are there.

The Government recommendation is that all people over 70 years old, or those who are shielding or in vulnerable groups should stay at home where possible, and if this is so for you I am happy to continue to send out services for you to do at home, joining in with us from home at 10am. If you are one of those lovely people who bring several people to church, please be aware that car sharing for people who are not in the same social bubble is not recommended by the Government, and we would not recommend it. We will be offering hand hygiene, social distancing, masks, shortened time in church, increased cleaning, one-way systems around the building and no physical contact in an effort to keep you safe; but, if you feel that this is not enough and the precautions that are in place are not to your standards, then please, we will not be offended if you choose not to come to church, stay at home, your safety is our priority at all times.

The Priest in Charge and the duty Stewards retain the right to refuse admission to church to anyone that they deem is not well or showing any showing signs of coronavirus.

I look forward to hearing from you. Please remember, if you do not contact me I cannot book you a place in church for the service.

With every blessing

Rev Rie

My love and every blessing to you all as I continue to hold you close in prayer.

Rev Rie

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