

Returning to Church Safely:

United Benefice of Batley



Arrangements for Worship

1. Please bring a face-covering and wear it inside the building. This is to protect others as well as yourselves.
2. We will be using the main (usual) doors of the church building.
3. Please wait outside the main doors until invited in by the warden team. This is so that we can maintain distancing in the entrance to church. If it is necessary to queue please keep 2m between people who are not part of your household or support bubble.
4. We will need to take down your name and contact details, in case we need to give these to the NHS Track-and-Trace teams in the event of an incidence of Covid.
5. Hand-sanitiser will be provided just inside the doors, please use it.
6. Please take your seat with your household, keeping 2m from the next person from outside your household.
7. Sadly, singing is not permitted, so the service will be short - around 30 minutes.
8. Children are always welcome at all our services. Children will need to sit with parents/guardians for the short service and not move around the building. Please do feel free to bring quiet toys, colouring books etc for your children to use during the service and take everything away at the end.
9. The toilets are for use only in an emergency - in which case please use the disabled toilet.
10. Communion (bread only) will be distributed to one person at a time from the chancel steps, not at the altar rail. We will be operating a one-way system.
11. During the consecration of the bread, the bread that is to be distributed to you, will have been kept under cover. The clergy will be sanitising their hands before distributing. If you wish to come to the service just to pray - and not receive communion - then that is absolutely fine. Please do let the warden team know so that we know how much bread is to be consecrated.

12. At the end of the service, there will be no refreshments, and please leave in an orderly manner maintaining a 2m distance between you and the next person. If you wish to chat with members of the church family and clergy please do this outside the building (in the churchyard) maintaining distancing.
13. We will not be passing round a collection plate, but there will be a retiring collection at the back of church, for sealed envelopes of cash or cheques. Please do not place cash that is not in an envelope in the plate.