

After the joy of our first outdoor service on July 19, we're ready to try again. As with last time, we are allowed to do this by following precautionary measures dictated by the Diocese and the Health Unit.

This will be a service of Morning Prayer on the lawn of the church at 10:00 a.m. on Aug. 23 (weather permitting). Aug. 30 will be the rain date.

Numbers attending are limited to a total of 50, so please contact the office by email (office@ascensionlondon.com) or phone (519-451-7780) to reserve a space. The names of those attending will be kept in the office for 30 days in case contact tracing is required.

Members of households may sit together; a 2-metre (6-foot) space must be left open between household groups. Please plan to bring your own chair, blanket, cushion, etc. to sit on.

Access to the church building will not be allowed except for necessary washroom visits. Essential visits only please. The service will be short, so hopefully washroom visits will be minimal.

There will be no congregational singing, but we will plan to enjoy Alex's music.

There will not be bulletins handed out, but if you wish you can print the bulletin at home to bring with you.

Masks are not mandatory outside, but are recommended, especially when socializing. However, we ask that socializing before and after the service be kept to a minimum and at a safe distance of six feet apart. Please be aware that if you need to go into the building, you will have to wear a mask.

This is not ideal, but it is a step along the way to re-opening, and a chance to worship together as we weather this situation.