**UPDATED FIRST UMC COVID-19 GUIDELINES (as of March 17, 2022)**

[Dauphin County’s COVID-19 numbers](https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/disease/coronavirus/Pages/Monitoring-Dashboard.aspx) have fallen significantly in the recent weeks and the current positivity rate is below 5%. The [CDC Community Levels](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/science/community-levels.html#anchor_1646415861797) Guidelines show Dauphin County’s COVID-19 status to now be in the Green (Low) Lovel. In accordance with CDC recommendations, we are now making **masks optional** for all gatherings, including Sunday worship. Please note that we still encourage those who are high risk for severe disease from COVID-19 (unvaccinated, elderly, or with underlying health problems) to wear masks during worship gatherings for their own protection.