

## **WORSHIP IN CHURCH** (15 July 2020)

The Scottish Government have moved to Stage 3 of the lockdown exit strategy meaning GMC could open our doors for worship – but we won't do so.

Why not? Because if we opened for worship we would have to:

- Limit numbers attending.
- ensure you sanitise your hands at the door,
- tell you to wear a mask,
- ask if you had Covid19 symptoms, any underlying health issues or had a flu jag (and then turn you away if you answered yes to any of those!),
- tell you where to sit appropriately distanced,
- ensure there was no singing,
- make sure you leave by a different door, and...
- then thoroughly clean and sanitise the building & toilets.

We don't believe that would constitute a meaningful service of worship or gathering in fellowship. It will be so alien that it may well detract from our time spent with God.

Although I would dearly love to be back worshipping together, I know many people are concerned with the potential dangers and also feel the inability to worship fully and freely with our church family negates getting back to our building to soon.

So – we will continue to deliver our weekly online services and other online activities through Facebook, Zoom, YouTube and our website. We will stay in contact through email, letter and phone... and we will continue to PRAY for our world, our nation and our church family.

Our church building may still be shut but our worship continues – give thanks to our Lord 😊, and join us on-line!!