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**TO:** TIMBERLAKE CHURCH COMMUNITY

**FROM:** CHURCH COUNCIL, DEAN NUCKLES, CHAIR

**RE: COVID 19 UPDATE**

Our Church Council continues to monitor the rate of COVID infections. The numbers in our area have exceeded the thresholds that we agreed on and shared with you late last year. Click this link to review, (<https://bit.ly/3zOJuJB>). **Due to the dramatic increase in COVID cases, we:**

- **STRONGLY recommend that you wear a mask when in the church building, regardless of vaccination status**
- **Expect anyone who works with children or vulnerable populations to wear a mask**
- **Require anyone who has COVID symptoms consistent with a head or chest cold to stay home**
- **Ask those who catch COVID to follow the Center for Disease Control and local health department guidelines on quarantine and masking**

These requested actions are out of compassion for our community, at-risk members, health care professionals, Child Development Center teachers, children, volunteers, etc., and an abundance of caution.

If you are interested in following the numbers, COVID-19 statistics are available on the Virginia Department of Health website, including local numbers for your county and the Central Virginia Health District. CENTRA also provides information about testing, vaccination, and hospitalization statistics at [centrahealth.com/coronavirus](http://centrahealth.com/coronavirus).

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact Dean Nuckles, Council Chair, [churchcouncil@timberlakeumc.org](mailto:churchcouncil@timberlakeumc.org), or Mark Coleman, Executive Director, [mark.colemen@timberlakeumc.org](mailto:mark.colemen@timberlakeumc.org).

This continues to be a changing crisis. Thank you for your patience, compassion, and grace in adapting with us and responding the best we can.

The Apostle Paul wrote to the Philippians (Phil 4:2-7):

*"..do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication **with thanksgiving** let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, **will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.**"*

*Our mission is to reach, feed, and release people to be the hands and feet of Jesus.*