Dear friends,

Further to my note of the 1 July with reference reopening the church.

We have received this week, 21 July, updated guidance pertinent to our church services. Namely, concerning face coverings/masks.

"We strongly advise that face coverings should be worn by all those attending a place of worship, including ministers, worshippers, staff, volunteers, contractors and visitors, where there may be other people present; remembering that they are mainly intended to protect other people, not the wearer, from coronavirus COVID-19 and that they are not a replacement for physical distancing and regular hand washing."

We gave this particular advice to the congregation gathered on the 19 July, and should like to reiterate its importance and request that we as a community respect it going forward until further notice please. Further, if you can please bring your own face coverings, and make them re-usable if at all possible this would be really helpful and environmentally friendly.

We should note you will not, however, be turned away for not wearing a face covering, since it is not a legal requirement. Indeed, there are a number of reasons why it may not be possible. Hence, please also avail yourself of the Church of England advice in full which may be found here.

In other news, please note our online Sunday worship and daily midweek online prayers is now delivered by Zoom, c.f., Jitsi Meet. The details, i.e., zoom invite, for accessing the Sunday 11.30am service may be found at our <u>Sunday Worship Page</u>. Similarly, the details for accessing the daily midweek online prayers may be found through accessing the relevant calendar event on our <u>What's On page</u>.

With love,

Stefan