

Dear People of Christ Church,

The new CDC guidance is intended to provide a way to live with the coronavirus. It does not indicate that the pandemic is over. The Covid-19 Community Level System has three levels: Low, Medium, and High. Low and Medium levels allow for masks to be optional in indoor public places. Monroe County is currently in the Medium level.

This new CDC guidance shifts the acceptance of risk from the community to the individual. Please [click here](#) for the new Covid-19 Community Levels system and to learn about how it affects individuals.

The Vestry has accepted the CDC guidance and, **beginning on Sunday, March 6, masks will be optional in church for all.** Many of us will continue to wear masks and we must respect their decision. I will be wearing a mask during the administration of Holy Communion.

Please note that if Monroe County moves into the High level, we will pivot back to wearing masks in church.

After two years, I have great hope for the future.

Ron