



# REOPENING STRATEGY

Mount Pleasant Baptist Church  
Colonial Heights, Virginia

|| May 2020 ||

# CHURCH CAMPUS REOPENING PLAN | MPBC Summary

The church leadership at Mount Pleasant Baptist Church is committed to making each service the best it can be while still submitting to the larger scope of wisdom.

Phasing-in will not only help avoid gatherings too soon but also not hold our church in this online-only era for longer than needed.

## Phase 1 and/or Phase 2

- **Services for 65+ & The Vulnerable (Phase 1):**

We will provide an 8:00 service in Phase 1 for people who are considered more vulnerable because of health or age. This will help give more space for the vulnerable. (*We are asking no children to attend the 8:00 am service.*)

- **Cleaning:** We will disinfect all pews between each service to help keep our worship center clean.

- **Masks:** For those who desire a mask, and do not have one, we will have a limited number of masks available.

- **Services:** Services will be shorter, so the number of people can leave each service before the other arrives. We also will not allow people in the building more than 10 minutes before services to allow for social distancing.

- **Health:** If you're not feeling well, have run a temperature, or been in contact with someone who has had COVID in the last 14 days, please stay home.

- **Passing Plates:** Passing offering and communion plates will be put on hold for the time being. We'll offer drop off boxes for tithes right outside the worship center in multiple locations. This will help keep people from touching the same plates. Also, it may take several days to process checks during this time as we're limited on people touching the money.

- **Childcare:** There will be no childcare during this time. Preschool and nursery rooms will be open for 1 family to occupy each room if child needs a break (livestream will be available in the rooms).

For more information on recommendations from the government, please visit:

CDC's main COVID-19 Web page: [www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html](http://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html)

Virginia Department of Health COVID-19 Web page: [www.vdh.virginia.gov/coronavirus](http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/coronavirus)

Virginia Governor's COVID-19 Web page: [www.virginia.gov/coronavirus/](http://www.virginia.gov/coronavirus/)

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Activity	Phase One (May 24)	Phase Two (Mid June)	Phase Three (Mid July)	Post- Phase Three (Mid August - Sept)
Services	*8:00, *(Vulnerable) 9:30, & 11:00 (All Identical Services)	9:30 & 11:00 am (All Identical Services)	9:30 & 11:00 am (Normal)	9:30 & 11:00 am (Normal)
Live Stream	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Worship Attendance	Limited (225/service) • Overflow rooms • Sit in Family units	No Limit • Overflow rooms • Sit in Family units	Yes	Yes
Baptisms	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Passing Communion	No	No	No	Yes
Passing Offering Plate	No	No	No	Yes
Tabernacle	Online	Possible	Yes	Yes
Sunday School	Online	Online	Yes	Yes
Childcare	No	No	Yes	Yes
Community Groups	Online	Possible	Yes	Yes
Ministry Events	No	Possible	Yes	Yes
Invitation	No	No	Yes	Yes
Outside Group Building Usage	No	No	No	Yes
Church Family Celebration	No	No	No	Yes! We can't wait!

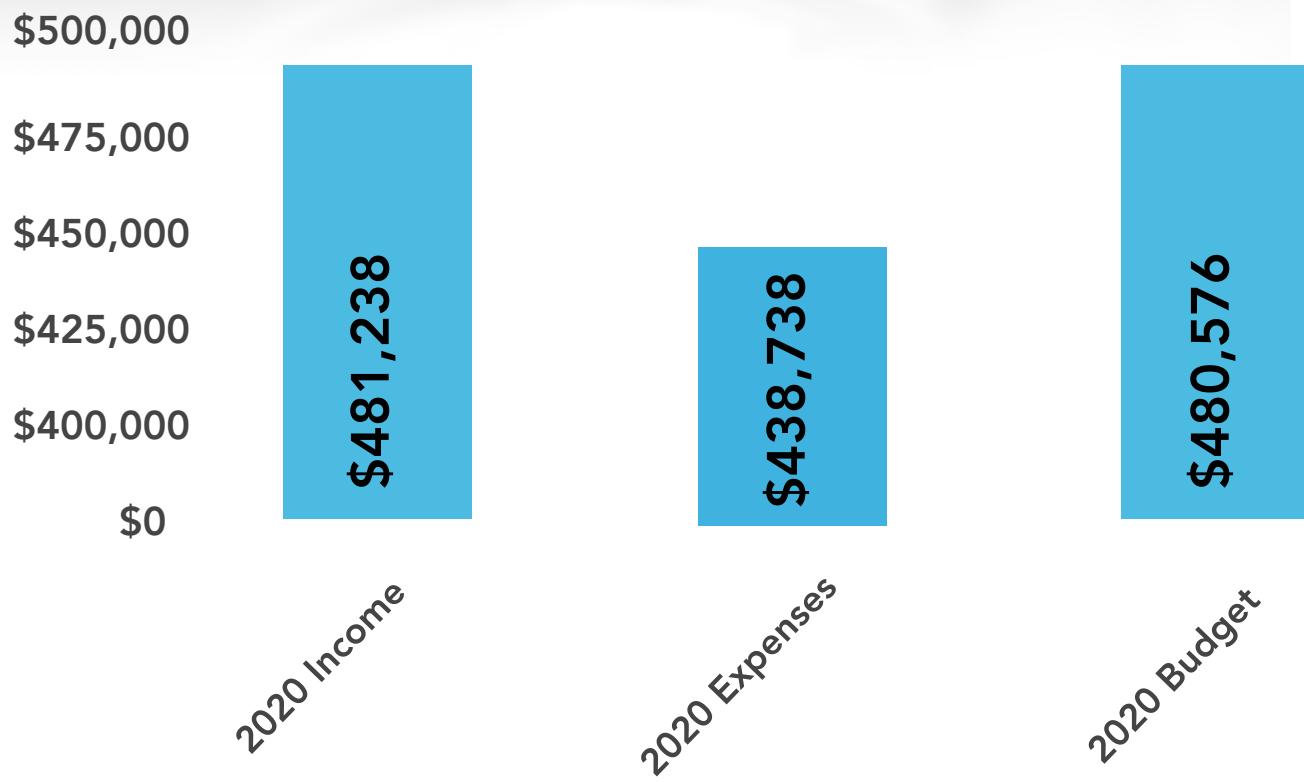
\*Based on current health conditions

\*\*Vulnerable Populations (quoted from the White House Coronavirus Task Force)

\* Elderly individuals

\* Individuals with serious underlying health conditions, including high blood pressure, chronic lung disease, diabetes, obesity, asthma, and those whose immune systems are compromised (such as by chemotherapy or cancer and other conditions requiring such therapy)

# Financial Outlook



**Weekly Needs:** \$ \$28,269

**Weekly Avg:** \$ \$28,308

# Questions That Continue to Shape the Phases

**What is essential at Mount Pleasant?**

**What will we have to change in regards to our cleaning methods, supplies, and policies?**

**Will any measure we put into place become permanent?**

**Will this change how our small groups operate permanently?**

**What cost-saving measures will we take?**

**What new costs are now vital?**

**How will this plan affect our public witness and testimony?**

**How can we meet the needs of our community?**

**How are we measuring our attendance?**

**Is a second wave of COVID-19 a possibility?**

For more information or if you have any questions, please contact us at [info@mpbclife.com](mailto:info@mpbclife.com)

