## **COVID-19 MITIGATION ACTION PLAN**

Effective immediately, St. John's Lutheran Church of Parkville will put into place the below modified mitigation protocol for any and all use of church facilities until further notice.

## **Updated Mitigation Action Steps**

- The previously established 5.7% benchmark for assessment of action steps has been removed.
- Moving forward, mitigation action steps will be determined in accordance with Baltimore County, State of Maryland, and/or national mandates and guidelines.
- Mask wearing is optional for anyone present on St. John's facilities.
- Designated seating will no longer be required.
- Safe distancing is encouraged with additional assistance to be implemented when possible. For example, ushers will dismiss individuals to come forward for communion, allowing space for safe distancing.
- We will return to the regular pattern for distribution of communion in front of the altar during worship services.

The COVID task force will continue to meet regularly to review criteria, current policies, and statistics, reserving the right to adjust any action steps as deemed necessary to proactively protect our community.

These guidelines were amended and approved by Church Council 05/10/2022