

COVID-19 Positive Case Guidelines for FBCC

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If a person attending a church event or a person inside our facilities tests positive for the coronavirus, FBCC will follow NCDHHS guidelines for contact tracing. The following steps will be taken:

1. The individual who has tested positive within 14 days of attendance will contact the Senior Pastor or, in his absence, the church staff designee and notify him of their positive status.
2. Once the Senior Pastor has been notified of an individual's positive status, the Senior Pastor or church staff designee will contact the Johnston County COVID-19 Hotline (919) 209-8310 and follow their recommendations.
3. The Senior Pastor or, in his absence, the church staff designee will obtain a list of contact persons by reviewing worship video and/or appropriate attendees lists and notify each person within 24 hours of the positive report. The FBCC Child Development Center Director will also be notified of the positive report.
4. *Currently, the Johnston County Health Dept. requires people who had 15 minutes of contact within 6 feet of the person who tested positive to isolate themselves for 14 days from the time of exposure. They recommend that those exposed persons should take a COVID-19 test no earlier than 5 days from the date of exposure.*
5. Any areas used by the person who tested positive will be closed for 24 hours, and then cleaned and disinfected. If more than 7 days have passed since that individual visited or used the facility, additional cleaning and disinfection is not necessary. Outdoor areas do not require disinfection (all based on CDC guidelines).
6. When one or more positive COVID-19 cases are reported in the sanctuary, in-person worship will be cancelled for the following Sunday. This prevents those who should be in isolation to return too soon to the sanctuary. Virtual worship in the sanctuary is permitted.
7. Individuals who have previously tested positive for COVID-19 may not return to FBC until they are fever free for at least 24 hours, their other symptoms have improved, and they are at least 10 days from their first symptoms (based on NCHHS *Interim Guidance for Places of Worship and Religious Services, 10/2/20*).