

Procedures for the use of outdoor spaces at TUUC during building closure.

1. The areas available for use are the Cherry Grove, the Memorial Garden and the Thoreau Meadow. Other areas may be considered by request submitted to houseandgrounds@towsonuuc.org
 - a. Cherry Grove – Area on the north/downhill side of the church building between the hillside and the stream. It has picnic tables and benches.
 - b. Memorial Garden – Area on the south/uphill side of the church building including the Memorial garden, Memorial wall, water feature and surrounding grassy area. To be used for appropriate activities.
 - c. Thoreau Meadow & Meditation Area – Area at the top of the hillside accessed by the gravel track on the south/uphill side of the parking lot. Meadow, fire pit, directional altars.
2. Individuals or groups requesting use of an outdoors space MUST schedule this with the church administrator to avoid conflicts.
3. The Church building is currently closed for use including any amenities such as use of toilet facilities, food or drink storage, cooking, and as a cooling space. The lack of toilet facilities MUST be included in any event information or invitation. Based on this the Administrative Team also highly recommends that events be scheduled for less than 90 minutes.
4. To allow for and promote physical distancing the maximum # of attendees in any of these spaces is 20. It is the responsibility of the event or group leader to enforce this attendance limit and requiring an RSVP is strongly advised.
5. All activity or event participants are required to engage in Social distancing techniques including:
 - a. Use of Personal Protective Equipment (Protective face masks or shields, gloves, etc.)
 - b. Maintain a physical distance of 6-10'
 - c. NO sharing of food or drink.
 - d. Singing indoors has been shown to be a method of transmission. The Administrative Team strongly advises that group leaders consider this when determining whether this is necessary for the activity of event.
 - e. DO NOT ATTEND an activity or event if you have a fever, cough, difficulty breathing or have been in contact within the last two weeks with someone who has been suspected or confirmed to have had the COVID-19 virus.
6. In keeping with existing procedures any use of fires must be pre-approved by request to House & Grounds (houseandgrounds@towsonuuc.org)