



Covid Protection Framework

Traffic Light System: Summary

	Green Some COVID-19 in the community.	Orange Increasing cases of community transmission.	Red Higher level of cases, health care may be at risk of overload.
General	Facemasks encouraged Record keeping mandatory	Facemasks encouraged Record keeping mandatory	Facemasks strongly encouraged Record keeping mandatory
When a vaccine certificate is required	No person limit	No person limit	100 person limit 1m physical distancing
When no certificate is required	100 person limit 1m physical distancing	50 person limit 1m physical distancing	10 person limit 1m physical distancing

How many people can gather in one space under the new traffic light system?

	Vaccine Certificate Gathering	Open Gathering
	Unlimited	100
	Unlimited	50
	100	10

Our aims for Latimer Church

1. Enable and encourage all to come to church each Sunday.
2. Look after all people at Latimer, including: those unvaccinated, those vaccinated who feel they can't mix with the unvaccinated and the spiritually vulnerable.
3. Grow to the glory of God.

Plan for Latimer

We have put together a plan for operating under the new COVID-19 Protection Framework, but recognise that there are still details we are not certain of. Please keep in mind that the following is subject to change as things become clearer.

Sunday Services

9am Vaccine Certificate Required	Normal kids' ministry running for up to year 9. Morning tea will be provided.
11am Open (to vaccinated and unvaccinated)	Green: restricted to 100 people. Orange: we will hold 2 separate groups of 50 in the large and small hall. Normal kids' ministry running for up to year 10 for green and orange.
4pm Open (to vaccinated and unvaccinated)	Green: restricted to 100 people, will include normal kids' ministry. Orange: restricted to 100 people (2 separate groups of 50 in different halls). Kids' ministry details to be worked out.
7pm Running in two locations	1. Vaccine Certificate required at The Piano. 2. Service open to vaccinated and unvaccinated, held at 12 Berwick St with up to 100 people. The sermon will be livestreamed between locations.

At Red, we will provide online services at 10am and 7pm but will not hold any public services.

VC = Vaccine
Certificate Service
O = Open Service

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9am	VC	VC	There will be a service held online at 10am
11am	 (1 bubble of 100 people)	 (2 bubbles of 50 people)	
4pm	 (1 bubble of 100 people)	 (2 bubbles of 50 people)	There will be a service held online at 7pm
7pm	VC & O	VC & O (50)	

Midweek

All mid-week groups (incl. Growth Groups) will remain open to all.

Growth Groups

In so far as possible, all groups are open to all and will not require a vaccine certificate. At 'red' groups may choose to meet via zoom, or in person if it is safe to do so.

Women on Wednesday

WoW will remain open to all with no vaccine certificate required. There may be some changes to the format of WoW to accommodate number restrictions at 'orange'.

Youth Groups

Both Junior and Senior Youth Groups will be open to all and will not require a vaccine certificate. All Youth Group leaders will be vaccinated.

Movers & Groovers

M & G will remain open to all with no vaccine certificate required. All leaders and volunteers will be vaccinated.

At Red, most mid-week ministries will operate online.

Livestream

We would love everyone at Latimer to return to meeting in person at church and will therefore cease live-streaming services. However we will continue to assess and adjust as required.

Keep updated

Visit our website to stay updated and sign up for our weekly 'Church Bites' e-newsletter at: www.latimerchurch.nz

FAQ

I am unvaccinated, does this mean I can no longer attend Sunday services?

No – we would love to have you attend the 11am, 4pm, or 7pm services at Berwick Street. These are 'open services' and no Vaccination Certificates will be required. These services will be subject to number restrictions under the 'traffic-light' system and therefore all attendees will need to register through Eventbrite in order to attend the service.

I am vaccinated, do I have to attend a Vaccine Certificate Service?

No, you are welcome to attend any service although due to demand there may be times the open services are full. You will need to register through Eventbrite to attend an open service, but there is no need to register for a certificate service.

Will I need a Vaccine Certificate to attend a Vaccine Certificate Service?

You may need to scan the QR code on your Vaccine Certificate to be allowed to attend. We are waiting for the government to give more clarity on how this will work and will keep you updated. You can get your Vaccine Certificate by going to <https://mycovidrecord.health.nz/>

Will Kids Church leaders be Vaccinated?

At our gam Vaccine Certificate Service, all kids church helpers will be vaccinated. However, we will not make vaccines mandatory for volunteers at our open services.

Do I need to wear a facemask at Church?

Facemasks are not mandatory at church but are encouraged by the government for indoor events. The government has indicated they will be mandatory at 'Red'.

Will Growth Groups and WOW be open to both the Vaccinated and Unvaccinated?

Yes, Growth Groups will remain open to all, and we will work hard to ensure they are able to meet in person at the 'Green' and 'Orange' levels. At 'Red' it may be that some of the groups need to operate online via Zoom.

Will my unvaccinated children be able to attend Youth Group?

Yes, Youth Group will remain open to all. The Youth Group leaders will be vaccinated.

Shouldn't we be standing up against the Government's traffic light system so that we can meet together freely as believers?

The Scriptures make it clear that we must not stop meeting together as the people of God (and therefore we are united as the body of Christ). However, the Scriptures do not prescribe details like how large these gatherings of believers ought to be, or the 'form' church services ought to take. The Scriptures also call on us to submit to governing authorities whom God has placed over us, and by doing this willingly and peacefully when it means hardship for us is a means by which we are witnesses in the world. We believe we can and ought to simultaneously obey the Bible's commands to remain united as the body of Christ, to keep meeting together regularly as believers, and to submit to the government—praying for them as we do.