

# Session 2:

Anticipating the next stages  
of the journey out of lockdown

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# ANTICIPATING THE NEXT STAGES OF THE JOURNEY



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*Getting ready*

Plan and prepare now to get ready to make the most of the gradual easing of restrictions, rather than waiting until they do.

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*Getting ready*

1. How do we continue to re-establish our worship service and strengthen connection with members of all ages in our congregation?
2. What limited range of activities should we prioritise when restrictions on gathering begin to ease?
3. What lessons have we learned so far during the Covid-19 pandemic that can help us in this phase?

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Kirk session and others in formal leadership positions

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*Getting together*

As restrictions ease further and we begin to gather a little more momentum in our church life, there will come a moment of greater opportunity to physically get together to renew our relationships.

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*Getting together*

1. How can we bring different groups of people together within current guidelines with an emphasis on building community, rather than all the normal ministry content of gatherings?
2. How might we maximise the lighter nights and better weather to be together with a ‘holiday feel’?
3. How can we gather organisational leadership teams socially to quickly gauge who is coming back again and who might not be and, where necessary, to begin to recruit new and emerging leaders?

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*Getting together*



Kirk session and leaders of organisations and activities and 'pied pipers'



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Having worked on getting ready and getting the fabric of relationships in your congregation back together again, there will be a moment to restore more coordinated activity on a more regular basis.

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*Getting restarted*

1. What activities, in addition to worship, will we recommence, when, and how often?
2. What will congregational and organisational programmes consist of given likely ongoing restrictions on social distancing and wearing of masks indoors? How might we harness digital gatherings, alongside in-person meetings, if we can?
3. How will we effectively publicise the recommencement of activities within our membership, among those who previously attended and the wider community?

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*Getting restarted*

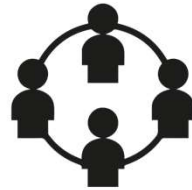


Leaders of organisations and activities brought together to understand the bigger picture

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*Getting ready*



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*Getting restarted*

# BREAKOUT ROOMS



What simple things can you do to get ready and to get key groups together over the summer period?

# WHAT'S COMING UP

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**WEBINAR**



Thursday 3 June

**Together again for children's ministry**

Thursday 10 June

**Together again for youth ministry**

Thursday 17 June

**Fanning the flame as kirk sessions**

Wednesday 23 June

**Growing our presence in the community**

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Latest release:

Wednesday 19 May

**The Church Recovery Guide**

Wednesday 9 June

**Reconnecting in the summer season**

Wednesday 23 June

**In conversation with PCI global mission workers**

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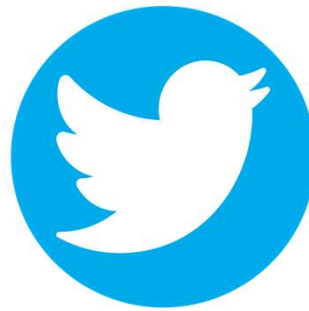
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