

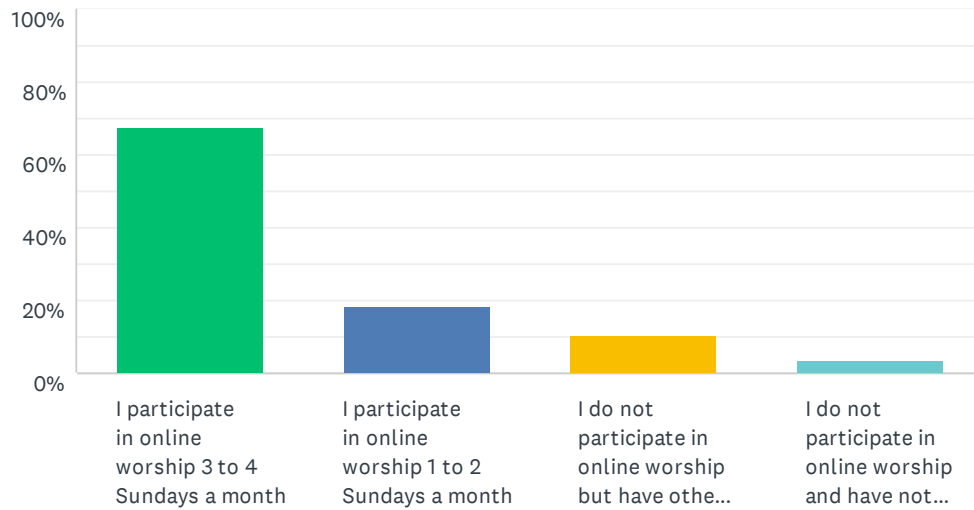
COVID 19 Congregational Impact and Needs Assessment

St. Matthew's Episcopal Church



Q2 Which of the below best describes your worship participation in the congregation since March of 2020:

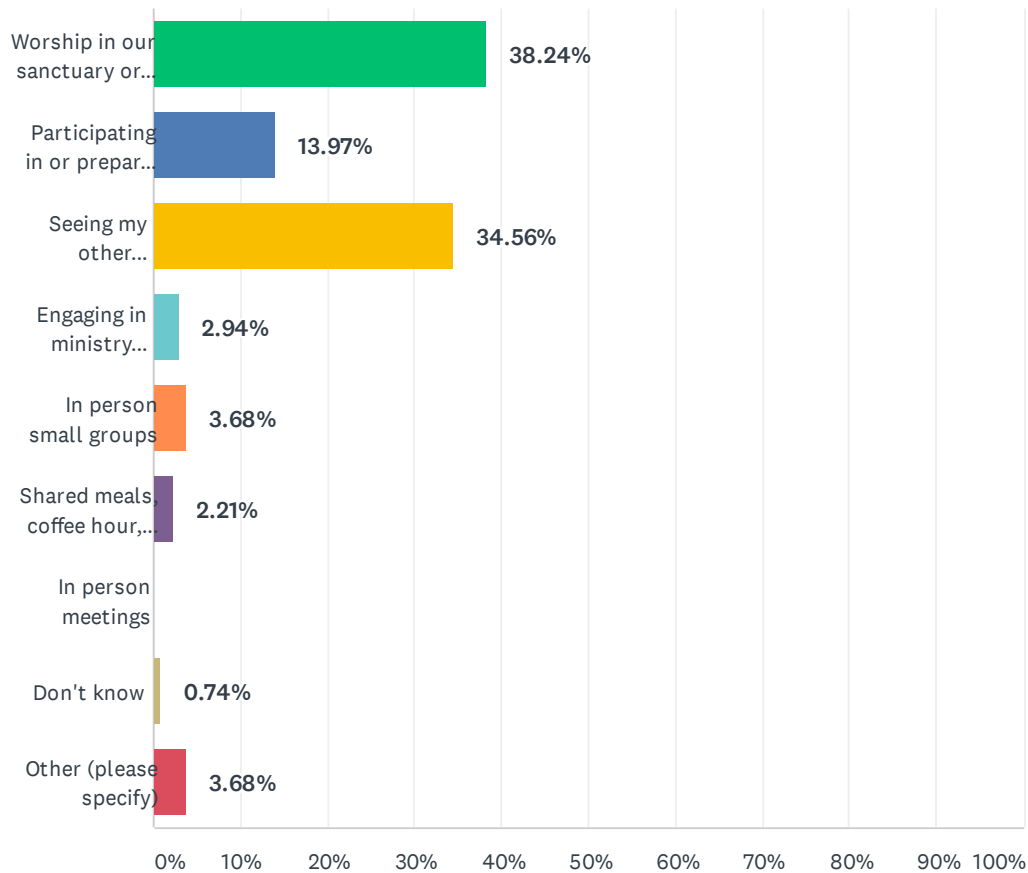
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I participate in online worship 3 to 4 Sundays a month	67.65%	92
I participate in online worship 1 to 2 Sundays a month	18.38%	25
I do not participate in online worship but have other ways I am keeping my spiritual life healthy	10.29%	14
I do not participate in online worship and have not been paying attention to my spiritual life	3.68%	5
TOTAL		136

Q3 The thing I have missed most about my congregation during this time is:

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Worship in our sanctuary or other usual place of worship (1)	38.24%	52
Participating in or preparing for worship (i.e. singing in choir, playing handbells, flower arrangements, etc.) (2)	13.97%	19
Seeing my other congregation members and friends (3)	34.56%	47
Engaging in ministry opportunities together (4)	2.94%	4
In person small groups (5)	3.68%	5
Shared meals, coffee hour, other social activities (6)	2.21%	3
In person meetings (7)	0.00%	0
Don't know (8)	0.74%	1
Other (please specify) (9)	3.68%	5
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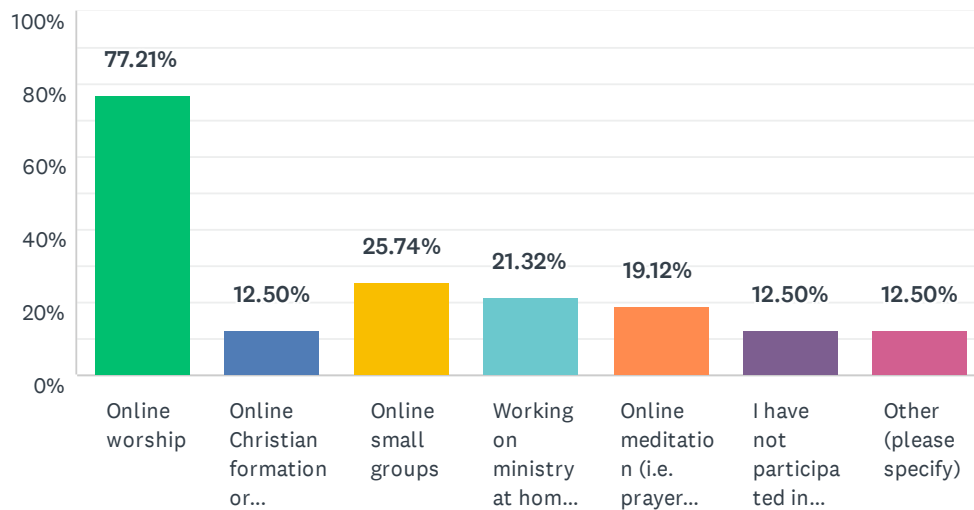
BASIC STATISTICS

Minimum	Maximum	Median	Mean	Standard Deviation
1.00	9.00	2.00	2.52	1.82

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	engaging in ministry opportunities in person with my congregation members	7/23/2020 11:10 AM
2	Receiving Eucharist	7/15/2020 8:49 AM
3	Eucharist	7/15/2020 8:42 AM
4	Breaking of the bread	7/14/2020 8:26 PM
5	I miss all of the above - Except of course for "don't know"!	7/14/2020 2:16 PM

Q4 During this time, I have been able to engage in church sponsored activities with other congregation members by (check all that apply):

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Online worship (1)	77.21%	105
Online Christian formation or education (2)	12.50%	17
Online small groups (3)	25.74%	35
Working on ministry at home (i.e. making masks, prayer chains, making meals for other, etc.) (4)	21.32%	29
Online meditation (i.e. prayer, devotions, yoga, etc.) (5)	19.12%	26
I have not participated in church sponsored activities (6)	12.50%	17
Other (please specify) (7)	12.50%	17
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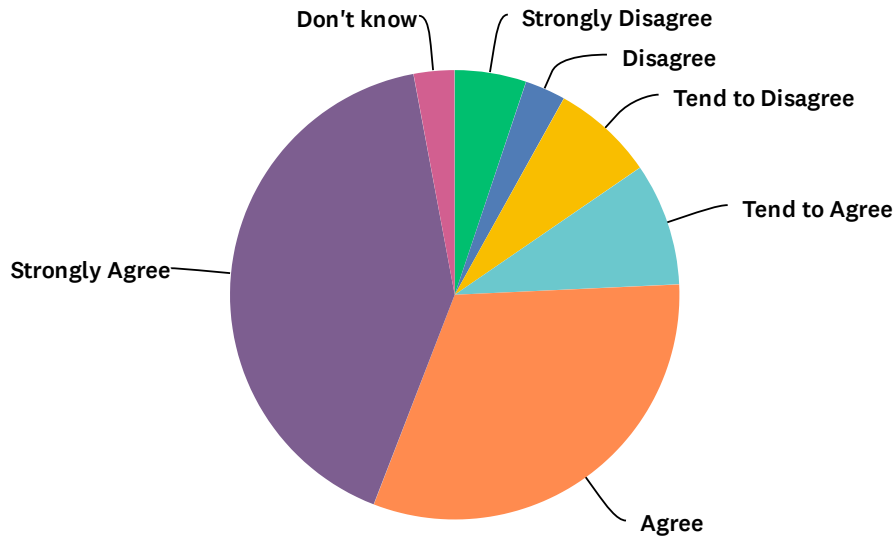
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#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	online worship, month long food drive for co-op with parishioners dropping of items in front of church once a week, serving a meal at co-op	7/23/2020 11:10 AM
2	helping with outside ground upkeep at church	7/17/2020 3:29 PM
3	food drive	7/15/2020 9:16 PM
4	Community food pantry drive	7/15/2020 5:05 PM
5	Working on grounds	7/14/2020 10:02 PM
6	Food drive	7/14/2020 8:57 PM
7	Knit, Crochet & Pray; Youth group; VBS	7/14/2020 7:46 PM
8	Collecting food items for the Community Food Bank	7/14/2020 6:02 PM
9	Christian Ed meetings	7/14/2020 5:18 PM
10	Cursillo Group Reunion weekly, altar guild members (social)	7/14/2020 4:07 PM
11	I have participated in several online presentations/classes through other church sponsors, such as CEEP.	7/14/2020 2:44 PM
12	Making prayer shawls, chemo caps	7/14/2020 2:32 PM
13	online worhsip, and online meditation, small groups	7/14/2020 2:16 PM
14	Grounds maintenance	7/14/2020 2:14 PM
15	zoom coffee hour, parenting group zoom mom's night out	7/13/2020 1:53 PM
16	Being part of advisory committee to craft criteria for safe return to in-person worship	7/12/2020 2:45 PM
17	Attempting to keep in contact, regularly, with elderly parishioners either via telephone or emails.	7/12/2020 12:01 PM

Q5 I believe our congregation has done a good job at adapting during this pandemic so that we stay connected.

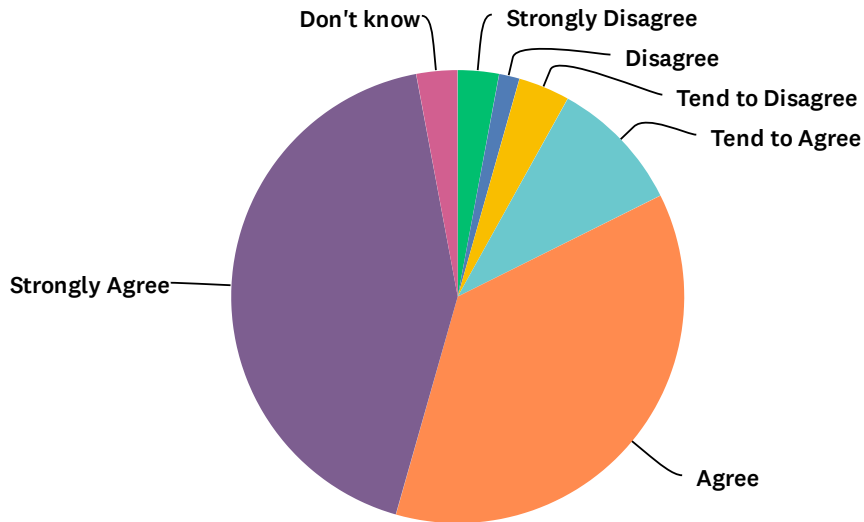
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly Disagree	5.15%	7
Disagree	2.94%	4
Tend to Disagree	7.35%	10
Tend to Agree	8.82%	12
Agree	31.62%	43
Strongly Agree	41.18%	56
Don't know	2.94%	4
TOTAL		136

Q6 This time away from our regular life together as a congregation has made me more grateful for my church.

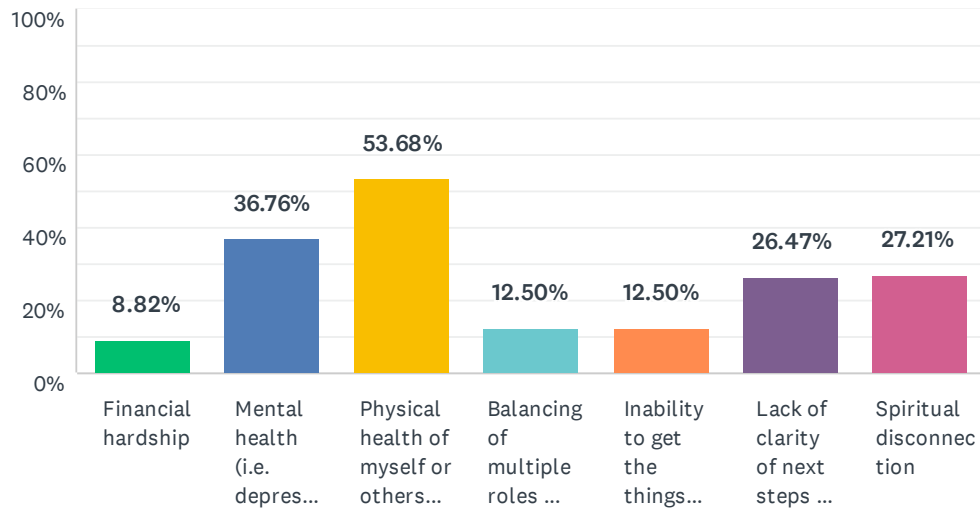
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly Disagree	2.94%	4
Disagree	1.47%	2
Tend to Disagree	3.68%	5
Tend to Agree	9.56%	13
Agree	36.76%	50
Strongly Agree	42.65%	58
Don't know	2.94%	4
TOTAL		136

Q7 During this time, the top two areas of concern or anxiety for me and my household are (please pick two):

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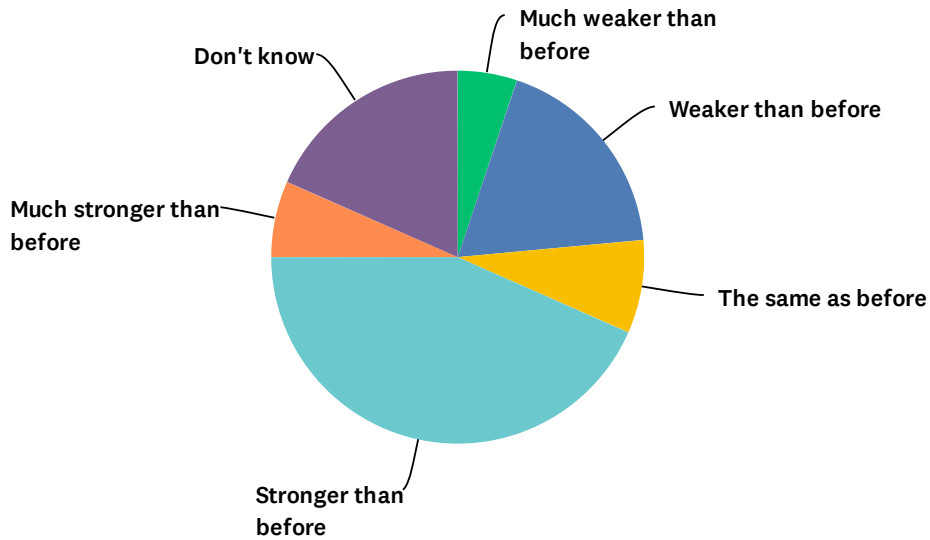


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Financial hardship (1)	8.82%	12
Mental health (i.e. depression, anxiety, disconnection, etc) (2)	36.76%	50
Physical health of myself or others within my family/friends (i.e. underlying health concerns, COVID, etc.) (3)	53.68%	73
Balancing of multiple roles - such as homeschooling while working (4)	12.50%	17
Inability to get the things I need (i.e. groceries, medications, household goods, etc.) (5)	12.50%	17
Lack of clarity of next steps for my life after the crisis is over (6)	26.47%	36
Spiritual disconnection (7)	27.21%	37
Total Respondents: 136		

BASIC STATISTICS				
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1.00	7.00	3.00	3.96	1.90

Q8 I believe after the pandemic when our congregation comes back together we will be:

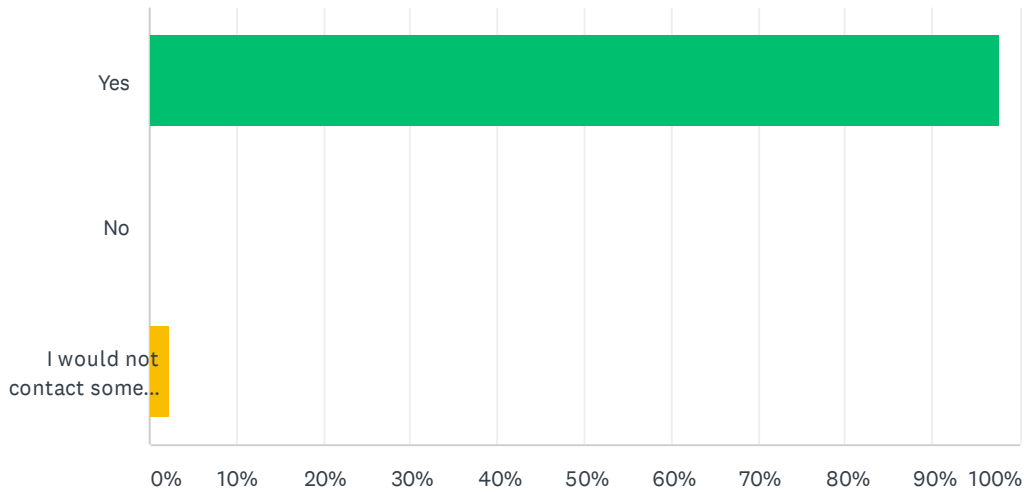
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Much weaker than before	5.15%	7
Weaker than before	18.38%	25
The same as before	8.09%	11
Stronger than before	43.38%	59
Much stronger than before	6.62%	9
Don't know	18.38%	25
TOTAL		136

Q9 I know who I can contact in our congregation if I need help.

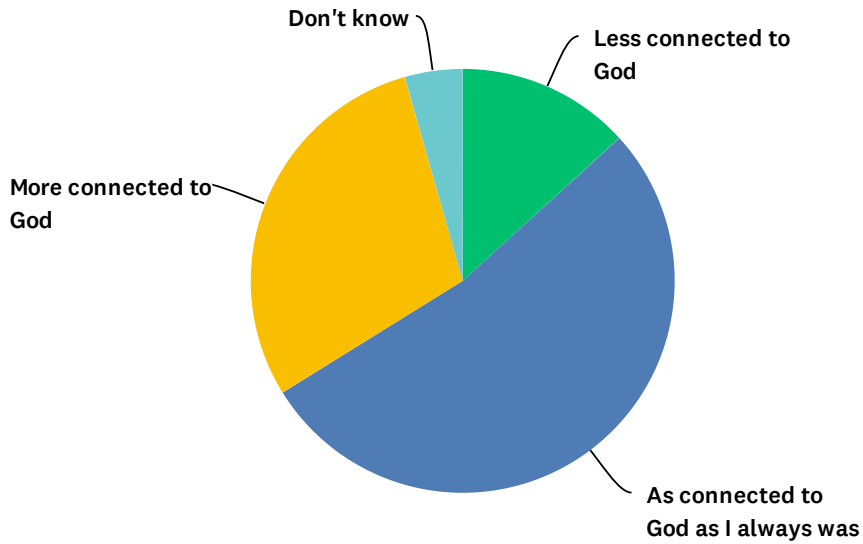
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	97.79%	133
No	0.00%	0
I would not contact someone in my congregation for help.	2.21%	3
TOTAL		136

Q10 During this time, when I think about my relationship with God, I feel:

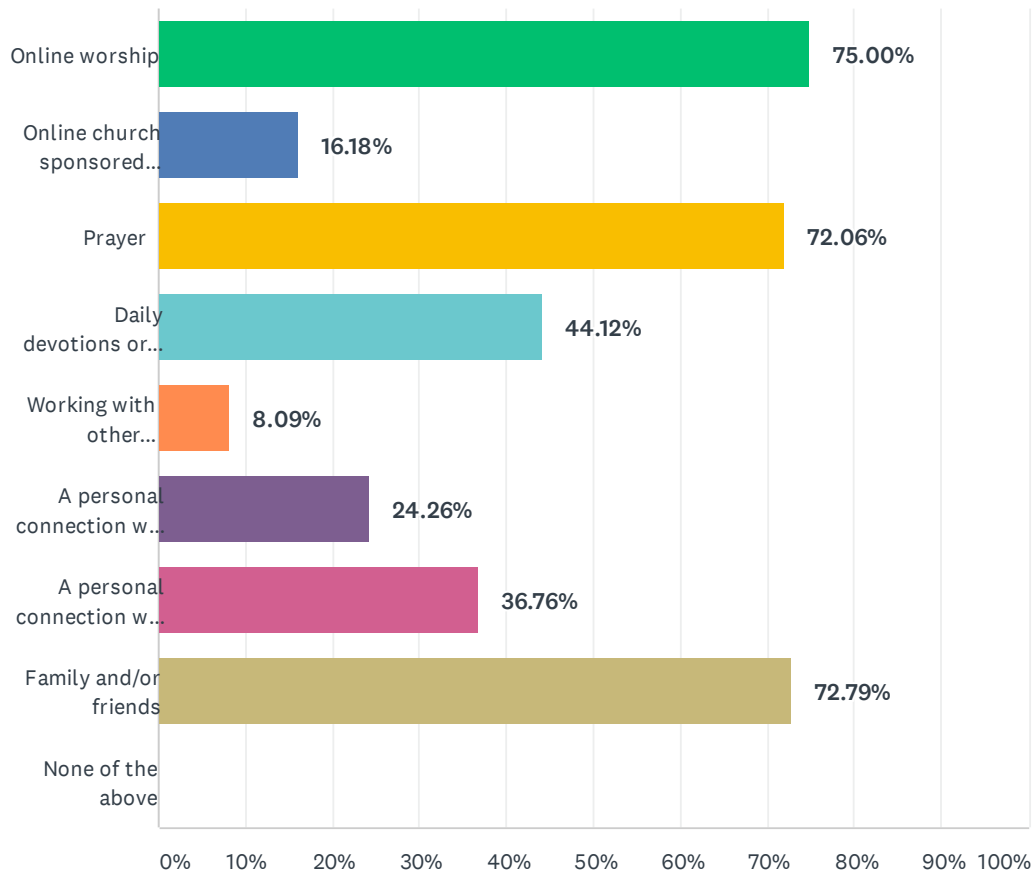
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less connected to God	13.24%	18
As connected to God as I always was	52.94%	72
More connected to God	29.41%	40
Don't know	4.41%	6
TOTAL		136

Q11 When I think about my spiritual walk and spiritual health during this time the things I have found helpful have been (check all that apply):

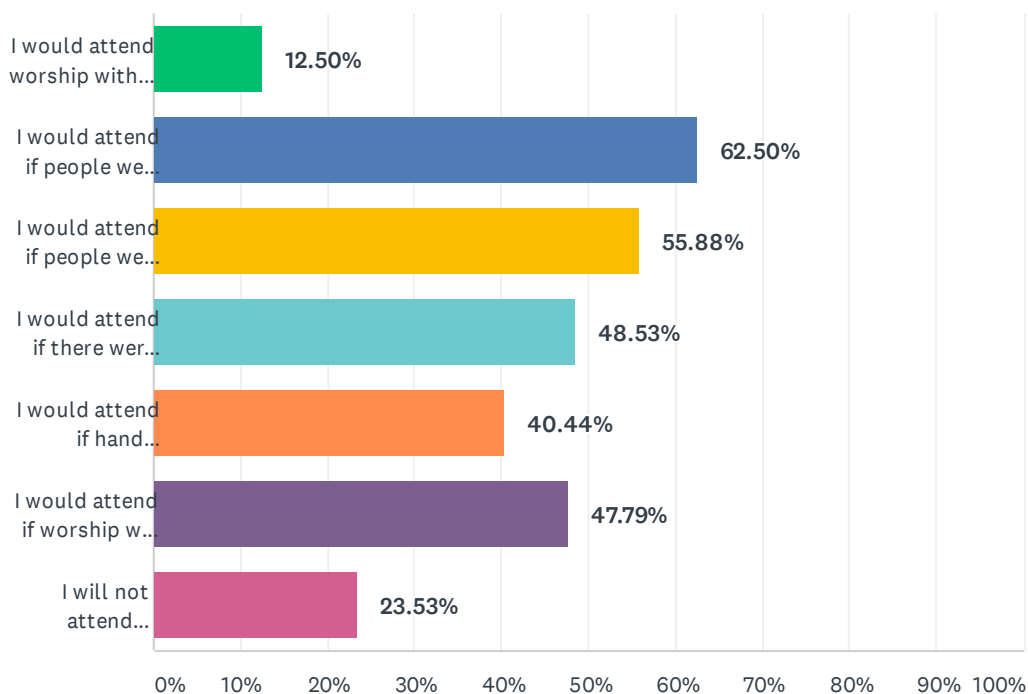
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Online worship	75.00%	102
Online church sponsored groups, bible studies, ministry work, etc.	16.18%	22
Prayer	72.06%	98
Daily devotions or meditations	44.12%	60
Working with other non-church sponsored groups	8.09%	11
A personal connection with the church staff or church leadership	24.26%	33
A personal connection with someone else in the congregation	36.76%	50
Family and/or friends	72.79%	99
None of the above	0.00%	0
Total Respondents: 136		

Q12 Our Bishop has created some requirements for regathering which our congregation will be following. If those requirements were not in place, at the time we are allowed to regather what precautions would you need to have in place to attend worship as regularly as you did before (check all that apply):

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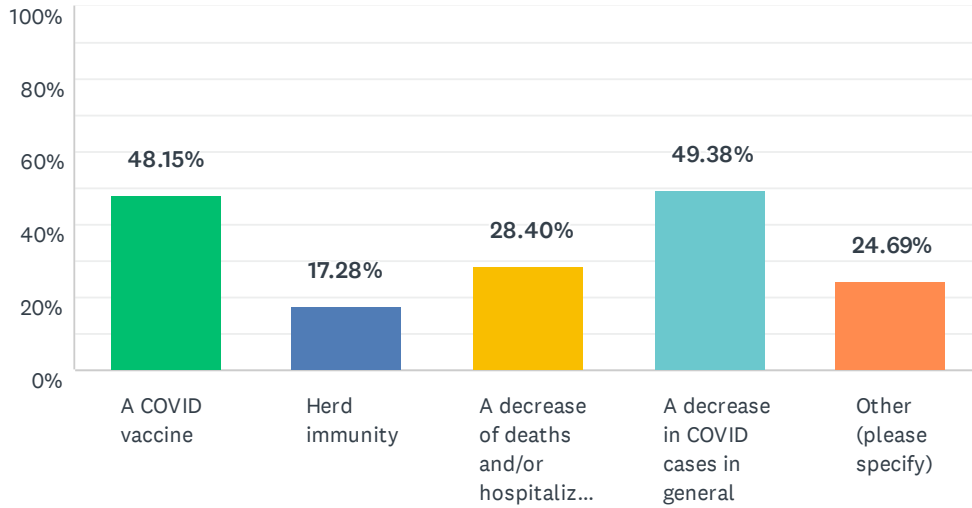


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I would attend worship without any precautions in place. (1)	12.50%	17
I would attend if people were required to wear masks. (2)	62.50%	85
I would attend if people were social distanced at 6 feet a part, unless they are in the same household. (3)	55.88%	76
I would attend if there were clear sanitation measures in place for areas of the church where people will be walking through and congregating in. (4)	48.53%	66
I would attend if hand sanitizer was readily available at exits and entrances. (5)	40.44%	55
I would attend if worship was held outside. (6)	47.79%	65
I will not attend in-person worship regardless of the precautions that are taken. (7)	23.53%	32
Total Respondents: 136		

BASIC STATISTICS				
Minimum	Maximum	Median	Mean	Standard Deviation
1.00	7.00	4.00	3.96	1.72

Q13 If you answered in the previous question that regardless of COVID precautions you will not be attending worship, what would you require to attend again (check all that apply):

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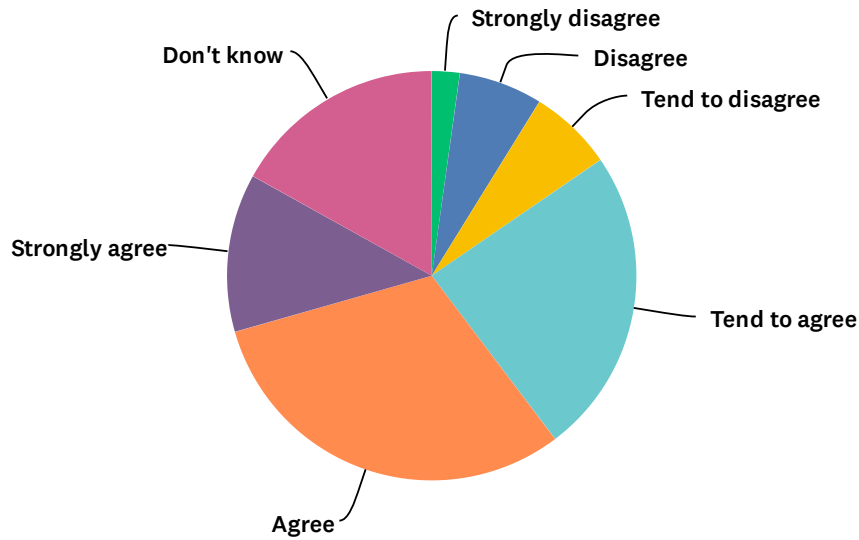
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
A COVID vaccine	48.15%	39
Herd immunity	17.28%	14
A decrease of deaths and/or hospitalizations from COVID	28.40%	23
A decrease in COVID cases in general	49.38%	40
Other (please specify)	24.69%	20
Total Respondents: 81		

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1	The COVID virus completely destroyed. I have witnessed people who have no concern for other people's health and/or safety. I have experienced adults who bring sick children out without PPE/facemasks. My health and safety are worth more than gathering for Worship. I do miss being able to receive the holy Eucharist.	7/23/2020 2:45 AM
2	n/a	7/20/2020 11:41 AM
3	N/A	7/19/2020 10:44 AM
4	Clear indication Covid is under control	7/17/2020 6:56 PM
5	social distance, mask, small groups only	7/17/2020 3:29 PM
6	Not applicable	7/17/2020 2:07 PM
7	I will attend services with precautions	7/17/2020 10:07 AM
8	n/a	7/16/2020 10:34 AM
9	I think the diocese has made too many restrictions.	7/15/2020 5:05 PM
10	Above questions not applicable for me	7/15/2020 10:51 AM
11	N/A	7/15/2020 8:49 AM
12	N/a	7/14/2020 11:26 PM
13	better personal health	7/14/2020 7:56 PM
14	Do not limit numbers	7/14/2020 4:19 PM
15	Do not limit numbers	7/14/2020 4:04 PM
16	.	7/14/2020 2:51 PM
17	Above questions not applicable for me	7/14/2020 2:36 PM
18	Question not applicable	7/14/2020 2:14 PM
19	n/a	7/13/2020 1:53 PM
20	Require mask	7/12/2020 5:24 PM

Q14 If there are costs incurred to regather (such as sanitation measures, purchasing masks, etc), I would be willing to give more to help cover those costs.

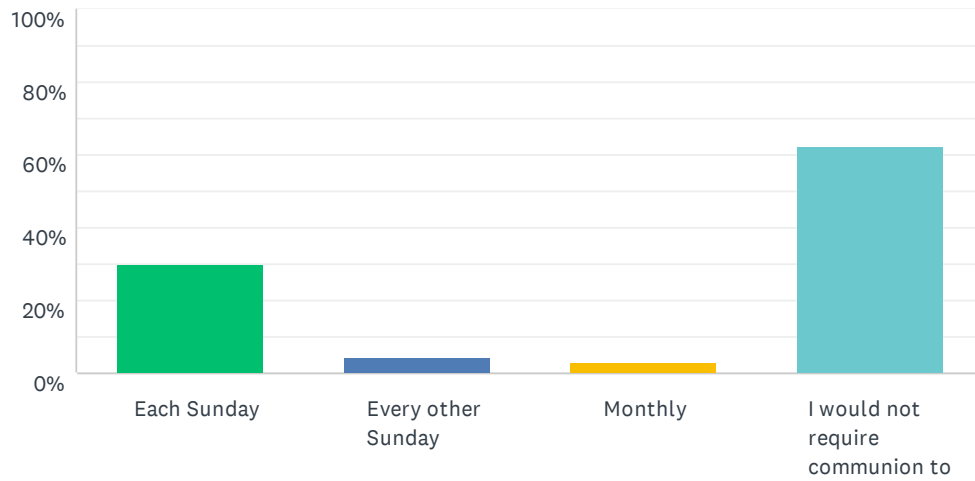
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly disagree	2.21%	3
Disagree	6.62%	9
Tend to disagree	6.62%	9
Tend to agree	24.26%	33
Agree	30.88%	42
Strongly agree	12.50%	17
Don't know	16.91%	23
TOTAL		136

Q15 Aside from COVID precautions, in order to attend worship as frequently as I did before I would require that communion be served.

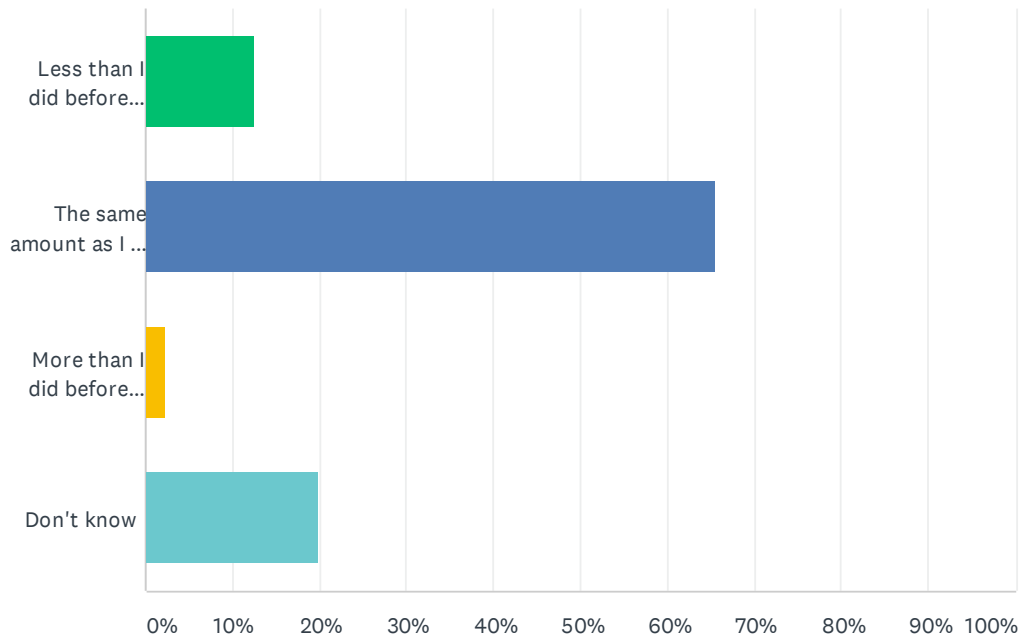
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Each Sunday	30.15%	41
Every other Sunday	4.41%	6
Monthly	2.94%	4
I would not require communion to return to worship	62.50%	85
TOTAL		136

Q16 With the right COVID precautions in place, I would be likely to attend worship:

Answered: 136 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than I did before COVID	12.50%	17
The same amount as I did before COVID	65.44%	89
More than I did before COVID	2.21%	3
Don't know	19.85%	27
TOTAL		136