

Dear Friends of New Covenant Lutheran Church,

I want you to know that for the first time in the life of our congregation, we will cancel all public worship services at New Covenant Lutheran Church for the next two Sundays. As we learn more about COVID-19, we know that limiting contact with others can significantly curb the spread of the virus. For that reason, I, with the support of the Board of Ministry and staff, have decided **to suspend all activities at New Covenant Lutheran Church and School through Friday, March 27th**. We will reassess our position prior to the 27th of March. We ask that people refrain from coming to the church building during this time. Staff will remotely monitor calls, texts and emails throughout the week.

Tomorrow, we will Zoom a worship service at 10:00 a.m. So via your computer, cell phone or tablet, you will be able to join us for a brief worship service. Zoom is a video conferencing platform with unlimited viewer capability. From you cell phone or tablet, you will need to download and install the Zoom App from the appropriate App Store. To join worship tomorrow, open the Zoom App and Join a Meeting using the Meeting ID below. On your computer, you can click on the link below to join the meeting. If you have not installed the Zoom Client, you will be prompted to do that before joining the meeting. I would recommend setting up Zoom before worship tomorrow so that you are ready to go. Information on Zoom can be found at www.zoom.us

When it is time for the worship service at 10 a.m., please use the following link or direct dial number and meeting ID to join our worship service.

<https://zoom.us/j/210493394>

Meeting ID: 210 493 394

Dial: +1 669 900 9128

In the meantime, I invite you all to join with me in prayer for the victims of this virus and their families. I will be meeting with the Board of Ministry, staff and leaders to look at ways that we will attempt to continue to connect with you during this time of change. We care about you, we love you all and we want you to be safe. We also want to remain connected as the Body of Christ.

Any further changes to our worship and programing will be communicated to church members via email and updates will be made available on the [church website](#), our [Facebook page](#) and our [Instagram account](#). Please pass on this information to any members or friends of New Covenant Lutheran Church that do not have access to email, Facebook or Instagram.

In Christ,

Pastor Steve Kruse