



Immanuel Lutheran Church

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RE: COVID-19 Announcement

Members of Immanuel Lutheran Church,

As you are aware, government officials have been encouraging the practice of "Social Distancing" to slow down the spread of COVID-19 and to protect the most vulnerable in our communities. The Council of Immanuel met on Sunday, March 15, after worship to discuss concerns related to COVID-19 as it impacts the ministry of Immanuel. The Council met again on March 16 after the announcement by Governor Evers banning gatherings of 50 or more people effective March 17. This ban includes houses of worship.

All church gatherings, including worship services, are suspended until the ban is lifted. Live Stream of our worship services, both Lenten services and Sunday Worship, will be available on the church website at Immanuel-strum.com. Dial-up Worship is also available by calling 715-695-3906. Due to the limited number of lines available for Dial-up, if you have internet access, we ask that you please choose the Live Stream option to allow our homebound members without internet access to call in. Pastor Ahles and Michelle will be maintaining regular office hours during this time.

Creative Beginnings will remain open as they are considered an essential service. Extra precautions are being taken ensure the health and safety of the children and staff. We are relying on the Department of Health Services (DHS) for direction as to when the center should close.

We encourage all congregation members to continue their faithful support of the church as they are able through the US mail, through Bill Pay at your bank, through electronic giving via the church website, or by texting 715-800-3511.

This is a rapidly changing situation and we will keep you informed as changes occur. If you have any questions or concerns, please call the church office or any member of the Church Council. Thank you in advance for your cooperation and continued support.

May God's blessings be upon you and keep you safe and healthy.

The Immanuel Lutheran Church Council

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