



March 17, 2020

Re: COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Pandemic

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As a result of the Coronavirus Pandemic, a special meeting was held March, 16<sup>th</sup> of our Church Council, Board of Elders, Pastor Geml and our Church Ministry staff and our School administrative staff. After much discussion and deliberation, the decision was made to suspend all of Concordia's worship services, including Lenten services, and all other ministry activities on Concordia's calendar for the remainder of March, 2020.

This decision was made in light of North Carolina Governor Roy Cooper's Executive Order dated March 14, 2020, along with the recommendations of other Federal, State and local health officials to minimize contact with other individuals in order to slow the spread of the virus and keep ourselves and others healthy and safe.

In the meantime, Pastor Geml and our Ministry Staff will be developing avenues that can be used remotely for Bible study with your families and neighbors at home.

While our Day School students are not attending classes, our Day School administration and faculty are developing methods to continue providing our Day School students a meaningful education experience remotely.

Also, our Church office will be open for the time being and our Ministry Staff will continue to plan and prepare for future worship and Bible study.

During these extraordinary times, continue to pray for each other and all people and their needs, continue to support the work of the Lord here at Concordia with your tithes and offerings by mail, on-line through our website or by bringing them to the Church office, and continue to assist your neighbors with their needs.

The Board of Elders will meet with Pastor Geml and our Ministry Staff on Monday, March 30, 2020, to review the pandemic situation as it exists at that time and determine appropriate actions.

In Christ,

David Isenhower  
Board of Elders Chair