

March 19, 2020,

Dear Bethel Family,

Last night we did our first “virtual church” service. Well, I guess it wasn’t a service per sé since it was only preaching, but you get the point. In that message I shared that in times like these we need to “take care of ourselves and others.” I hope that we, as the church, will do exactly that. Think of ways that you can help each other. It might be a grocery store run or some other errand that someone may need help with. You can also spend some time calling someone on the phone. As far as I know, using the phone is still considered “social distancing.” There are people that are going to become increasingly lonely, since they can’t leave their home and come to church. Since we are trying to distance ourselves physically, we can still encourage one another through a variety of technological means – calling, texting, emailing, and social media. If you do hear of someone that has a need and you are not able to help meet that need, please let our secretary (Janet), a deacon, or a Pastor know.

Again, we are all traveling through this time of uncertainty and uncharted waters together. We realize that these are strange times. May the Lord continue to give us wisdom, patience, and incredible trust/faith in Him as we navigate through this time. Let me encourage you to continue “assembling together” virtually with us through the Facebook livestream and even add comments. For those folks that do not have Facebook, you can listen to the sermons through our website. Continue “talking” with folks and praying for one another. Also, if you are able to continue giving, you can either mail your check in or drop it by the office. We are looking into adding online giving. If you are hurting financially due to lack of work, please let us know so that we may help in this time of need.

I look forward to “seeing” you on Sunday through Facebook.

Many blessings,
Pastor Norman