



Gethsemane Lutheran Church

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

In response to the recent CDC and Kentucky government's recommendations, we are working out what it still means to be "Joyfully learning, living and sharing God's Word" and not other viruses. Here are a list of things we can do to continue our valuable ministries at Gethsemane Lutheran Church and to love thy neighbor as thyself.

1. We have chosen to **worship online only** until **Further Notice**. You can access our video stream-live or afterwards via our Facebook Page, YouTube Channel or website: www.glclex.org. You can even participate in Holy Communion if you have a cracker or piece of bread available. The current bulletin is also available on our website.
2. If you would like to help as an Assisting Minister/Reader (April and beyond), Video Recorder, or Sound Tech for our recorded serves, please call/text or email Penny Zimmerman at (317-416-7187 pzimm1@sbcglobal.net). We could also use some individuals who would be willing to provide singing of either liturgical parts or hymns. If you are interested in singing or providing music for a prelude, please contact Kelly Peterson (859-447-2811 kemape78@gmail.com).
3. **We have set up a network to help deliver items** to those unable to get out. If you are in need of a delivery, please contact Janet Koerner at (859-277-0242). Janet will reach out to our volunteers and set up a time for delivery. If you are interested in volunteering, please reach out to Barbara Herberner (859-277-8054) or Melanie Eichner (859-806-9966 or meleichner@gmail.com).

4. Currently, our food program with Garden Springs Elementary School is on hold. If you would like to help those in need of food assistance, you can donate to the Pastor's discretionary fund. Thank you in advance for your generosity.
5. **Please contact Pastor Laura directly (859-230-5735) if you have any pastoral needs.** Please contact her if you need assistance with food, rent, utilities, or etc. We do have some funds available.
6. We continue to hope to have an interactive Wednesday evening event for those who would like to have spiritual conversations. We've had some difficulty with getting a secure video sharing application. More details will be coming....
7. Some committees will continue to meet on a case by case basis. Please contact your committee chair for more details.
8. Please continue to reach out to at least five (5) family members or neighbors during this time. Pay special attention to those who are homebound [shut-ins, self-isolating/self-quarantining], those in nursing homes, and those who may be out of work [restaurant workers, and service individuals]. Call and ask to pray with them. Send cards and letters. As the Apostle Paul wisely stated in 1 Cor 12:22-23 "The members of the body [of Christ] that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor."
9. Please continue to wash your hands for 20 seconds and use hand sanitizer regularly to protect yourselves and others.
10. **As your income allows, please continue to support our ministry here.** There are numerous ways you can do this:
 - A. Mail your offering to the church or bring it in to the church office during regular posted hours,
 - B. Use your bank's online BillPay feature,
 - C. Set up a Tithely giving account by clicking on the Green Give button on our website: www.glclex.org.
11. **Please continue to pray!** Pray for our government and medical professionals as they work to protect us all. Pray God will bring healing to those who have been affected by the virus or by ramifications of our precautionary measures. Pray for us at Gethsemane, including all on our prayer list, daily prayer calendar, and leadership, that God will give us wisdom to navigate these challenging times together.

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