

Announcements

1. This morning, I want to try something a little different during worship. If you have a prayer request to lift up, please do it anytime during worship. Just write it in the comments section. When we get to that point in the worship, I will make sure to lift them up in prayer. This way, we're not just waiting for people to type out their responses.
2. Don't forget to join us for our weekly Zoom check-in time at 11:15AM today. This is a time to just check in with people and see how they are doing. You are welcome to drop in and say hi and leave or you can stay awhile and chat. You can save the zoom link. It should be good for perpetuity.
3. Session has extended the closure of the congregation through May 30, 2020 to line up with the Governor's Executive Order. Worship will continue to be online on Facebook, as well as posted on YouTube and the church's website. Tadd is also putting up on the website my bulletins and a copy of my sermon for people who want to read them.
4. Session also made the difficult but proactive decision to cancel VBS for 2020. This was not an easy decision for us to make, but it was unanimous. The last thing we want is for people to be exposed or get sick while attending VBS. Rest assured, we fully intend on having VBS back in 2021, better than ever.
5. Also at our last Session meeting on Tuesday, we decided to try something new during worship. On May 3, we will partake in online Holy Communion. We believe that this will be a positive sign of unity in our congregation and community. You are asked to bring a piece of bread or a cracker and a drink of some kind, preferably wine or grape juice. I will have prompts during worship on when we will commune together.
6. I heard recently that the food pantry was running low on supplies. Since then, the community has rallied around them and helped fill their shelves. But now the food pantry is going to be open twice a month. They will be open Wednesday, May 6, from 1-2pm, for drive thru pick up. They will also be open on their regular Wednesday, May 20, from 1-2, also for drive thru pick up. Farmington Food pantry is available to anyone in the Farmington school district and Elmwood. The food pantry is located New Hope Fellowship Church, Rt 78 N (a short distance from Farmington County Market)
7. One last announcement...each night, at 7pm you may have heard our church bell ringing for one minute. Pastor Andy is ringing the bell to honor our essential workers who continue to support our community and to care for those in need. We thank you for your hard work and sacrifice. It has not gone unnoticed.