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St. Luke Presbyterian Church's Current COVID-19 Strategy to Protect Our Church Family

Good morning St Luke family,

Our prayers go out to our whole Amarillo family, as the first two cases of the Coronavirus have been confirmed in our area. Now is the time to rest our hands and feet and pick up our phones and pens. Last night our Mayor encouraged us to refrain from gatherings of any size, and as we seclude ourselves from in person contact with a select group of people, I encourage you to create opportunities of connection by calling one another to say hello or sending a personal hand written note.

Last night your session also voted to suspend in person gatherings at church for a short season of time. All daily church activities are cancelled for two weeks—through April 2. Starting this Sunday, Church services will be available through Facebook live, but we will not accept people to attend in person other than those necessary for leadership. At this time, we have assessed a need to refrain from meeting in person on Sundays for at least 5 weeks—until April 19th. Your session will be meeting on a more frequent basis to respond to current information.

We need your help to maintain the spiritual and physical health of our community! We will be polling our members to hear ways that you can imagine us celebrating Easter even when we are apart. And I encourage you to dream of ways to share in the presence of Christ even when we cannot physically be present.

As Presbyterians, we believe that Christ is present in, above, beside, under and all around the bread and the juice during communion. Now is the time to tune our awareness to experience Christ in the unseen and share Christ across the boundaries of space and time.

In the words of St Patrick
“Christ shield me today
Against wounding.
Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ in me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
Christ on my right, Christ on my left, Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit down, Christ in the heart of
everyone who thinks of me, Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me, Christ in the eye that
sees me, Christ in the ear that hears me.

I arise today
Through the mighty strength
Of the Lord of creation.”

Shalom y'all,

Pastor Kati