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

Dear St Luke family and friends,

Your session and I have been praying for you, and we are looking for ways to create safe spaces for us to be the church together! During our meeting last night, we decided two important changes to our current pandemic practices.

- #1. Currently the building is still closed to any non-essential activities, however, as of July 13 Small Groups will be allowed to schedule meetings in the building under certain conditions. Only one small group per day will be allowed to meet, and the group must observe social distancing, wear masks, and clean their space after their meeting. Interested groups must schedule their meetings by contacting Jan Pennington, Property Committee Chair: janpennington@gmail.com or 1 (806) 570-9892. Groups will be approved on a first come, first served basis.
- #2. We will continue to meet virtually for worship through Facebook Live, however, Worship and Property committees have been commissioned to begin plans for on-site worship possibly in August. An official start-up date will be discussed at our July 19 Session meeting. Your session agrees that the on-line worship option will continue indefinitely, because we recognize how meaningful and helpful it is for those who are unable to attend on-site to be present virtually.

To help your session to discern how many people would be present at the church, if we were to open the sanctuary in August, please respond to the one question survey at this link:

<https://forms.gle/LkMFP5z9wiECEBnE6>

I leave you with some poetry by Kathleen Moore, taken from the second verse to our closing hymn from worship this Sunday, for we do "wait the peaceful kingdom," and while we wait, we seek:

"Where is the Peaceful Kingdom? When will this new day start?

We long for peace and comfort to reign within each heart.

Yet not in our lives only, nor simply in our home - we pray that all Creation will one day find Shalom."

May you find the resources to provide for shalom—health, peace, justice, beauty, and wholeness—in your own life and in the world around you.

Shalom y'all,

Pastor Kati