

In the midst of widespread confusion, fear, and closures/cancellations across the nation, let us vigilantly hold fast to God's gracious promises and truths:

- that we are remembered
- that God has acted on our behalf in Christ
- that we are loved
- that we are known more thoroughly than we know ourselves
- that we have protection and refuge in our Savior.

These truths have not been compromised by a virus. These truths, our identity, and our treasure are not susceptible to worldly destruction, but instead are protected by Christ. Let us treasure him during this moment: "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also," our Savior offers to the disciples in Matthew 6:21. May our hearts belong to him.

Not out of fear, but out of love, we are scaling back programming and services at the church. Out of a desire to protect the life and health of our neighbor and one another, we are moving to virtual programming out of a desire to stay connected to the Lord and to the body during this time while also doing what we can to reduce the spread of a virus that will have impact on not only those who contract the illness, but the healthcare system and infrastructures that will be caring for the weak and vulnerable.

Here is a rundown of our normal routines in the life of SRCC, and the changes we plan to implement until the government reinstates the capacity to meet in large groups:

Monday & Wednesday morning prayer: Pray from your own bed or prayer closet! Monday at 6:30am and/or Wednesday at 8am, call the number below and enter the pass code thereafter.
Dial-in number (US): (425) 436-6348
Access code: 640589#

Tuesday night: Young Life meetings are canceled until large group gatherings are permissible.

Wednesday night: Bible Study is canceled this week, and will resume on Wednesday, March 25 via livestream. More direction to come on platform etc.

Monday though Thursday: After School Program is canceled until schools are able to safely reopen.

Sunday: Worship will not be public worship held at the church, but will instead stream through Facebook Live starting this Sunday. The service will be recorded to view remotely if you do not have Facebook. Stay tuned for links and further information about how the service will be accessible to you from home. This Sunday's service will be paired back, with no prayer request time or praise songs, but we will definitely look to figure out how to involve these two very important components of our service for the following week with the Praise Team. Please also note that there is a treasure trove of sermons on the SRCC website available to you at any point: <https://www.strochcc.org/sermons>

Please feel free to use/post our Facebook pages as much or as little as you would like during this time where we will be physically apart for a little while. The Leadership Team is also open to texts/emails/ phone calls for any other prayer requests you may have. The Monday and Wednesday prayer calls are also places where we can share those.

Know that we are doing everything we can to think creatively and work with what we have to keep our community connected, informed, safe, and engaged during this time.

We pray for and look forward to a time of health where we can all meet together again for worship. Until then, we pray for our relationships with God to be strengthened during this time as individuals and as a body.