

March 28, 2020

Hi Friends,

I hope this email finds you dry and doing well.

Our bishop has requested we not worship in-person or have in-person activities for the foreseeable future. The COVID-19 situation continues to get worse in the commonwealth of Pennsylvania and across the country. You can read the bishop's letter using the link below. I believe his advice is prudent and I am canceling all in-person worship and in-person activities until we can meet safely.

In terms of worship tomorrow. I have my suggestions from last week for online worship below. I encourage you to find ways to worship. If I can find some musical accompaniment, I would like to start recording services and offering them online. If you know anyone who might be willing to play some hymns, please let me know. I have someone to sing, but it would be helpful to have someone play accompaniment. I also would not mind more volunteers for singers.

If all goes well, I hope at some point tomorrow or Monday to have a sermon on YouTube. I will send out an email when it is available if you would be interested.

I would like to offer three chances to pray together this week. You can use the website or call the phone number. I am offering different days and times to see if it helps with participation. Share this information with anyone you think might appreciate it.

Sunday afternoon March 29 at 2 PM

Weblink - meet.google.com/cxo-jsma-bza

Phone number - +1 636-336-8724 PIN: 424 347 542#

Monday Night March 30 at 7 PM

Weblink - meet.google.com/utk-bwyv-pft

Phone number - +1 605-388-2945 PIN: 694 934 595#

Wednesday afternoon April 1 at 12 PM

For Wednesday, I would like to use the prayers found here - <http://commonprayer.net/midday-prayers>.

Weblink - <meet.google.com/xsb-wmsk-ivz>

Phone number - +1 609-535-3064 PIN: 221 539 016#

You all are in my thoughts and prayers. If you need anything please let me know. The best way to get ahold of me is calling 304-554-9131. You can also call just to talk or to pray.

Be safe. Be well. Take care of each other. Let us continue to pray. I hope some of us can pray together tomorrow.

Peace,
Andrew

Bishop's letter - http://juniataministry.org/pdfs/notes/bishop_march_27_2020.pdf

Online Worship Opportunities

The disaster relief coordinator in our conference has created a spreadsheet with churches in our conference offering different online worship opportunities. https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1a0WdZZJ9NxYXWiPS12od_TYvOg5dW7DKRD4k8U_ESHk/edit?usp=sharing

Juniata County Radio, as they do every Sunday, is offering online worship services. Here is their service schedule and link:

7:30 AM George Swartz

8:00 AM Heritage and Hope

8:30 AM Village Chapel

9:00 AM Locust Run UMC

10:00 AM Beavertown Gods Missionary

11:00 AM First Baptist Jun County

... Sunday morning on juniatacountyradio.com/wheels-radio

In terms of online worship, I think there are many churches in our conference that will offer excellent services, but here are two more ideas:

Church of the Resurrection - <https://cor.org> (their worship times are listed in Central time - add an hour)

Providence UMC in Tennessee (Jacob Armstrong is one of my favorite pastors) - <https://prov.church> (11:45 EST on Sunday). He is the pastor who wanted to be a missionary in Mexico if you remember me sharing the story about needing a missionary's heart for our local community.