

ANNOUNCEMENTS | MARCH 29, 2020

## SUNDAY SCHEDULE Church and all activities cancelled for the week of March 29-April 11.

**HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE** At this point, it would seem extremely unlikely that we would be able to have any public worship services before or on Easter. We will, however, plan to offer virtual worship resources for Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday as we have been offering for the past couple of Sundays. If you are having any trouble accessing these resources, please contact our church office and we're confident that we can find a way to get you connected to them or something else.

MOVE INTO NEW BUILDING/LOCATION As of today, work continues at our new site, but it has slowed down. We were hoping to have occupancy by the end of next week, but this will no longer be able to happen. The delay should not be much longer than the overall virus shutdown will be, but we have no idea how long that will be. For now, it's hard to know whether or not we will have another public worship service in our old building. We hope to put out some information about our new Sunday morning schedule and activities in our new building soon, but exactly when those things will go into effect is currently unknown. We'll try to keep you up to date as much as possible, but don't ever hesitate to contact the church office with your questions.

**PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION** In these very uncertain times, it can be hard for us to focus on the positives and keep moving forward. Nonetheless, we continue to plan for the future, trusting that God will continue to lead us and bless us. We are getting closer to our building project being done and waiting to worship together again! In the meantime, we can share that people have been reaching out to us about our preschool even though we can't do any official advertising yet. Our waiting list is growing every week. If you or anyone else you know of would also want to be placed on this list, please contact our church office. The types of things we'd be looking for are:

- Name of legal guardian
- Name of Child
- Age of Child
- Good contact phone number
- Good contact e-mail address
- What would serve you best
  - o 1/2 day
  - 3/4 day
  - Full day
- How many days a week
  - o 2 days
  - o 3 days
  - o 4 days
  - o 5 days

**COVID-19 SUPPORT REMINDER** During this unusual and limiting time, please be aware of the following support that is available to you and your family though our broader church family:

- Virtual Worship Every week that we can't meet together for worship (and probably beyond that time), we will email out some sort of virtual worship materials for you to use with your family. At this time those materials will include audio of the worship service along with a PDF of the worship folder, but soon that will include video as well. These materials, along with previous weeks' materials, can also be found on our website at <a href="https://www.southridge-church.com/covid-19/">www.southridge-church.com/covid-19/</a>. For those of you who are wondering about what to do with your offerings, you can mail them in to our old church address, mail them to our office manager's house (2101 Sky Meadow Ave., Richland, WA 99352), donate through PayPal on our website, save all of your offerings to give in person once we can meet again, or join several other members who have set our church up as a regular automated bill pay through their personal bank or credit union. If you have any questions about this, please contact the church office.
- Grocery/Other Necessity Front Porch Delivery This week, volunteers from our congregation
  attempted to contact all our members over 60 years old and other members with identified
  special needs. Our goal was to see what assistance may be needed at this time. If you could use
  assistance with grocery drop off or something related to that, there are members of our
  congregation who are willing to assist with that. Please contact our church office to let us know
  if this need comes up for you.
- Home School Support Many families are suddenly finding themselves homeschooling their
  children for the foreseeable future. If you need to vent, hear an encouraging word, or learn
  about some resources, we do have a number of excellent teachers in our congregation as well as
  a number of parents who are experienced in homeschooling. If you could benefit from any of
  this, please contact our church office and we'll be able to connect to one of these valuable
  resources.
- Professional Counseling Our congregation has a partnership with Wisconsin Luther Child and Family Services (WLCFS) that allows us to offer discounted virtual counseling with qualified Christian counselors. If you'd see benefit in talking to a caring Christian professional during this time when we're all dealing with irregular causes of stress and anxiety, please contact pastor (509-820-1080) directly or through our church office. Our congregation can currently provide at least one session at no charge to you.
- Spiritual Support Please feel free to contact pastor (509-820-1080) if you could use some spiritual support during this time of cancelled worship services or really at any time. He'd love to talk with you or just listen to you. That's what he's here for.

**HAVE AN ANNOUNCEMENT TO SHARE?** Please phone 509.783.7265 or email office@southridgechurch.com