

March 24, 2020 – Congregational Letter #2 regarding COVID-19

Dear Friends and Members of Our Saviour's;

“This is the day the LORD has made. Let us find joy IN HIM and be glad in it!” Psalm 118:24

While the coronavirus continues to spread, it is clear that our joy will not be found in outside sources. So let us find our joy IN HIM, who is the same yesterday, today and forever. So also, let us spread love and kindness as we are given opportunity. People in our community and all over the globe are helping, serving, and encouraging others in a variety of ways, and it's wonderful to hear.

I hope that you are staying home in order to stay healthy as Governor Inslee has directed us.

Since our Governor has prohibited ALL PUBLIC GATHERINGS including churches, we have been given a stronger mandate to stay home and not gather together physically. But people are still finding ways to connect. One of our small groups is using Zoom Internet Meetings to continue their Bible Study. If you know other ways that people are staying in touch, please share them with us.

If there is an emergency, since the church office is closed, please contact me, Pastor Mark directly at 425-293-1974.

If you have any needs like running to the grocery store or pharmacy, Alex, our Youth Director, has said that he would be happy to help in any way. 208-890-9907.

The Stanwood/Camano Island school district sent out a notice that lunches will be provided by the district, for kids 0-18 years old during school closure. Please go to the **Stanwood/Camano school website** for locations and spread the word.

If you listened to our worship/message online last weekend – Arnold Ronning made an announcement about a new streaming series focusing upon the Gospels. The series is called, “The Chosen”. You can google, download the APP or simply find it on YouTube. I watched the first episode on YouTube last night.

We also heard from Lifetouch Church Photography this week. They have **postponed all pictorial directories** for the time being. We are hoping to know more about scheduling photos this summer. In the meantime, you may be contacted to update your personal information from a person in our congregation, as we will assemble a non-picture directory in the meantime.

Sunday worship, sermons and devotions will continue to be made available on our website – oursaviourschurch.org.

For the time being – let us “Watch and Pray and Encourage One Another” as we face this crisis. Let us be a people who Prays Together, Stays Together and Stays Healthy Together!

God Bless You All!

Love in Christ, Pastor Mark

*We have included an updated offering report as of 3-23-20 – please see below.
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	2020 Budget \$501,377.00	
	Actual Received	Budget Need
Weekly offering	\$5,505.20	\$9,642.00
Month to date	\$21,573.21	\$38,568.00
Year to date	\$95,886.64	\$115,704.00
Fellowship Remodel Deficit Balance	\$16,921.22	
Building – Remodel Pledge offerings	<u>\$995.00</u>	
Loan Balance	\$15,926.22	