



Message from the Elders:  
March 13, 2020

In light of the current concern regarding the recent outbreak of the coronavirus we have been receiving questions about our church services. The Elders and Preachers have met to discuss the best approach and would like to provide the following information.

- We plan to continue to meet on our normal Sunday schedule with worship services at 8:30 and 11:00AM with Bible Class at 10:00AM.
- We will continue to have our regular Munchkin Ministry time and everyone should make their own decision about participation. We would encourage parents to please assist your children at this time.
- In order to ensure that we have the best possible clean environment for our toddlers, all the toys will be removed from the toddler nursery. Feel free to bring your own toys for your toddler.
- To alleviate any concerns about partaking of communion, we will be making a change in our communion and offering service. Instead of passing communion trays, we will be providing single use pre-filled communion cups and bread. We will be placing individual servings on the back of each chair. Instructions will be provided at each service. Unfortunately there will not be any gluten-free single service cups available, so we suggest you bring your own if you are gluten intolerant. Regarding contributions, men will be holding offering baskets at the rear of the auditorium at the close of service to receive your offering. You can also give through the Simple Church app.
- We will be cancelling Wednesday evening Bible Class for next Wednesday, March 18.
- Also, we have been advised that the Bible Bowl that was scheduled for next Saturday, March 21 at the Camp Hill church of Christ, has been postponed indefinitely.

We would also suggest minimizing personal contact such as shaking hands and hugging, and for everyone to continue good personal hygiene such as washing hands with soap and water regularly. If you are ill or not feeling well, it would be best to stay home. Our weekly 8:30 AM assembly is recorded and available online after 11:00 AM; the 11:00 AM assembly is live-streamed on the church's Facebook page. You can access both by clicking on the appropriate links at [cvchurchofchrist.org/connect](http://cvchurchofchrist.org/connect).

We will continue to assess the situation on a weekly basis and will keep you informed. We appreciate your patience and would request your prayers as we seek a wise course of action.

Consider also how to use the current situation as an opportunity to demonstrate the peace and love that comes from being a disciple of Jesus. As Paul puts it in Colossians 3:12-14, “<sup>12</sup>Therefore, as God’s chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. <sup>13</sup>Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. <sup>14</sup>And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.”