March 14th, 2020 11:30 AM Update

Dear Davisville Church Family,

We take the care of our local community and the health of our Davisville Church family very seriously. After prayerful consideration, Davisville Church will be postponing all in-person activities, events and services through Sunday, March 29th, at which point we will reevaluate.

This update follows yesterday's announcement from Gov. Wolf to close Pennsylvania's schools to prevent widespread outbreak of the COVID-19 virus. Among the specific recommendations were to postpone large gatherings, reduce inperson gatherings, and utilize technology as much as possible in order to connect with one another.

Our weekend services will be still be broadcast live at 9 am Sundays on our <u>facebook page</u> and are available on our <u>website</u> through Sunday, March 29th.

Worship Services

We invite you to join our weekend worship service Sundays at 9 on our <u>facebook page</u>. If you miss the live broadcast, watch it anytime at <u>davisville.org/watch</u>. We look forward to continuing our Partnership series. For instructions on how to access our livestream, <u>click here</u>.

Our next tentatively scheduled on-campus weekend services will be Palm Sunday, April 5th. We will hold this tentatively as we encounter the realities of a rapidly changing environment in our surrounding communities.

Moving Forward

Our elders are committed to reaching out and calling those that are not able to connect digitally. If you or someone you know is in need of pastoral care, email care@davisville.org and we will respond.

Our staff will continue to hold office hours as we work to support our ministries remotely. We understand the importance of our ministries and Life Groups and we will seek to provide resources and direction that will enable us to continue ministry even though we're not gathering at the church's facilities.

Regarding giving, you have several options available to continue in your steady stewardship. You can give online at http://www.davisville.org/give-online/, mail your check into the church (325 Street Road, Southampton, PA 18966 or drop it off at the church office during the week during normal business hours (M-Th 9 am to 4 pm).

We will continue to monitor the situation in this rapidly changing environment. Please stay tuned to our <u>website</u>, our <u>facebook page</u> and emails for any updates in our response as conditions develop.

We understand this can be an unsettling time for many. In times like these, it is good to be reminded of the Apostle Paul's words to the Philippian church, "The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." We desire to pray for you and your family and invite you to reach out through our <u>digital prayer wall</u> with any prayer requests you may have. We also ask that you join us in praying for those impacted by COVID-19 in our community, as well as those who are working tirelessly to curb the spread of this virus.

We are grateful that we are still a church community regardless of how we gather. As we join together through our online environment in homes, businesses, and living rooms throughout our community, may our Gracious God continue to shape our lives through the life-changing message of Jesus.

Sincerely,

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