



# *Shepherd of the Hills*

*Blessed to Be a Blessing*

Dear Church Family,

March 13, 2020

Out of an abundance of caution, our leadership has decided to cancel worship services through March. So we will not have services on March 15<sup>th</sup>, March 22<sup>nd</sup> and March 29<sup>th</sup>. At that time, the council will meet and re-evaluate the situation. All activities at the church are cancelled until further notice. This includes Pastor's Breakfast, Choirs, Virginia Circle, etc.

If you have an emergency, you can still call the church office for assistance. The church number will forward to either Rita or Pastor's cell phone.

In the meantime, we will post the Lessons for each Sunday, the Announcements for each Sunday and Pastor's sermon for each Sunday on the website

We are also encouraging everyone to send in their offerings either by mail or make electronic donations on our web site. We still have bills to pay and staff to pay.

We are working on setting up some sort of electronic streaming for the web site so that our folks can see Pastor deliver his sermon in addition to having it available in print.

We are also putting in place a support network for our members who cannot, for whatever reason get out on their own, to get groceries, etc. Please watch your email for further information on this project during this difficult time for all of us.

We are all in this together and we need to look out for and take care of one another in our church family and in our community. These are the primary reasons that we are taking these actions. Please keep everyone in your prayers as we move forward together.

In God's Peace and Hope,  
Pastor Dennis and Shepherd of the Hills Church Council

Gracious God, it is good for us to gather as your beloved in community. We treasure your presence with us in word and meal, song and prayer. Be with us in these days when gathering together as often as we would like is not possible. When we must be apart for reasons of safety, we trust that you surround us with your sheltering wings. Encourage us in connecting as we are able, reaching out to our neighbors in need and being persistent in prayer. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our constant companion.  
Amen