



Vernon In Action
Infection Control and Prevention Update
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Dear Vernon Evangelical Lutheran Church disciples,

This comes to you with a heavy heart. At this time, although there is no active community spread illness at Vernon Evangelical Lutheran Church, we are committed to keeping everyone safe. We ask that you remain mindful of the seriousness of Norovirus, Influenza and COVID-19. Please stay home if you are coughing, not feeling well, or having any symptoms of the virus.

Today

Please use the hand sanitizer that is available to you, don't shake hands during the peace or hold hands during the Lord's Prayer, sit a few feet away from others try to avoid other physical contact. We will not be sharing Holy Communion today. This Sunday morning for fellowship hour we will not have snacks...sorry.

We have taken precautions to keep us safe by washing the pews, door entrances, and bathrooms as well as any room in use with a Disinfecting Antibacterial cleaner.

Changes in worship and faith formation in response to coronavirus

Much has changed in our world during the last few days, and now changes are coming to the way we worship and learn. Bishop Paul Erickson of the Greater Milwaukee Synod has sent us all a video. By taking these needed precautions we are demonstrating love for our neighbors.

Effective immediately after worship today our church will be closed. After much discussion with the Council and the Worship and Music team, we have decided that the following gatherings will be suspended until further notice:

- All Sunday services
- Lenten meals and worship
- Confirmation classes (Shari will send worksheet via email to the students)
- Music rehearsals
- Adult classes, Bible studies and Sunday Education (All ages)
- Senior activities
- Quilting
- AA
- Boy Scouts
- All ministry teams that have made a plan to get together.
- No meetings or gathering will take place at the church till after you receive confirmation that it is ok.

We will contact the congregation by way of an e-mail that will be sent out every Thursday with updates and a flyer will be put on the front door for those who don't have email.

We hope to return Sunday, April 5th, having our Palm Sunday services at 8:15am and 10:15am. Please watch your email for an announcement.

We will continue to support our disciples and God's work in and through this time. Please pray for our church family, for peace and comfort that only Our Lord can give.

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