



Greetings,

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Just a few things that everyone needs to know as we move forward. What an ordeal we are going through. However, there are many great things happening at Vernon even though we cannot gather.

We have developed a phone line with our disciples to keep in touch. We have a few disciples that will be calling and asking if you would like a weekly check in, every other week or maybe not at all. It is your choice. We want to keep an open line of communication with all. As always, please reach out to us if you need anything.

We have a team of folks that are willing to make you a meal, shop for bread, milk, eggs, pet food or anything that you would need. Please do not hesitate; it is not a bother at all.

Shari Higgins (Church President) is the main contact and spokesperson at this time. Shari will be running ideas past the executive team and council as they arise. Committees that have ideas need to share with Shari before making any decisions. It is important communication and information comes through one person. Discussion and debate within this group is necessary and healthy, but we must speak publicly with one voice. This is a time of trial and we need to remain united as the body of Christ. The leadership will communicate early, often, and fully. At this time, an email will be sent out on Thursdays as usual.

I feel it is important to ASK you, the congregation to share your stories on how Christ is helping you get through these difficult times. Tell your outcome stories (share stories about how God is still active in our lives and community).

Our web-site [www.vernon-elca.org](http://www.vernon-elca.org) has a lot of information for you. We will continue to record the gospel/reading and post the sermon. The bulletin will also be posted and updates will be posted on the contact/forms page.

As Ruth continues to give our place of worship a thorough, disinfect so when we come back everyone can have peace of mind. In the meantime, please do not come to the church.

*May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had. Romans 15:5*

Sincerely,

Shari Higgins,  
Vernon Lutheran Council President