

Dear UCC Congregation:

We hope you all are safe, well, and staying home (as able).

The UCC Board met yesterday (by phone), as we will do every Monday as we navigate being the church in the time of corona virus. Please read below for updates and current information:

Church Services:

Church services are cancelled until further notice.

The Church Building:

To protect everyone, **the building is CLOSED until further notice.**

This was a painful decision to make, given our church's history of open doors. We felt the public health information clearly indicates closing. The front foyer will be open, so that food shelf donations and collections can happen. The inner entryway doors are locked.

Your financial support is critical:

While we are not holding services or bible study, we still have our usual expenses. We depend on the collections we bring in on Sundays to help pay our bills. **Please consider making on-line contributions, or mailing in your offerings.** To set up on line giving, go to our website (cableucc.org) and scroll down under the "Worship" tab to "Electronic Giving." From there it tells you what to do!

We will hold together as a faith community:

Sermons: Pastor Phil's sermon will be available in the following ways:

- Facebook page (Cable United Church of Christ)
- YouTube channel (Cable United Church of Christ)
- In written form on Pastor Phil's blog (birchwoodhomeblog.com).

Joys and Concerns/Prayers: Pastor Phil will incorporate this part of our service into his sermons. So please send your joys and concerns to him before Thursday of each week so that they can be included in the Sunday taped sermon.

Phone Groups: Board members will call a group of congregants once a week to stay in touch. Please feel free to reach out to any board member or Pastor Phil with needs, questions, or concerns (list attached). If you have not been contacted (and want to be!) please let Pastor Phil know and we will get you on the list.

Collective Prayer: Every Sunday at 10:20 a.m. we will say the Lord's Prayer, together but apart!

Pastor Phil available: Pastor Phil wants you all to know that if you have any needs, want to talk, need spiritual support, etc. to please call him on his cell phone at 262-470-0736. If he doesn't answer, do leave a message. He will call you back!

We will stay in touch:

The board will meet once a week (by phone) and will share any new developments with you all. Please stay tuned!

Community needs:

The Food shelf will continue to be open each month. Food donations can be dropped in the bins in the entryway. Monetary donations can be sent to:

Teri Hanson
49860 Mi
Mulligan Creek Rd
Barnes, Wi. 54873

Our local businesses need our support in these times. Some local restaurants are providing curbside pick-up of good food. The Chamber of Commerce is working on list of area restaurant service. Until that's ready, we know that Lakewoods and Cable Café are two that are providing meals for pick up. Call them, or any restaurant to see whether they are providing this service.

Please be safe.

Blessings,

The UCC Board of Directors