

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, Because of the decision to limit social gatherings to no more than 10 people, the decision has been made to suspend all worship services and meetings of Trinity and Georgetown Lutheran Churches until Easter Sunday. In order to help decrease the spread of the virus and out of concern for the health and well being of all of you we will not meet together within the church walls. That does not mean that we stop being the body of Christ in the world!

To continue to offer you time to worship, I will lead worship at Georgetown broadcast on facebook live each Sunday at 10:30 a.m. This service will archived on the Georgetown facebook page as well as shared and archived on the Trinity facebook page so that you can view it when you are able from home. In addition, I will be sending out a separate Wednesday Lenten devotion via email for mid-week contemplation. Both the Celebrate bulletin inserts and the Taking Faith Home inserts will be made available at each church if you would like to stop by and pick those up for use at home. At Georgetown they will be placed on the podium in the fellowship hall and at Trinity they will be placed on a table in the entry way.

As always, your offerings are appreciated and necessary to ensure that the ministry of Georgetown and Trinity Lutheran Churches continue to serve God's work in the world. Please continue your financial support by making an online gift on the Georgetown website (www.georgetownlutheran.net) or by mailing your offering to P.O. box 86, Balsam Lake, WI 54810. Trinity members can send their offering to 2502 E. Grenquist Lake Lane, Cumberland, WI 54829.

I always would like to remind you that I am personally available for pastoral care, home communion visits, or anything else you would need. Contact me either at 715-822-3553, 715-702-1240, or by email at house.dianerev@gmail.com if you would like to chat, if you need help in any way, or would like Holy Communion.

At this time of national crises keep in mind what our Lord Jesus teaches through the book of Romans 5: 1-5 that we heard in worship last Sunday:

“Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.” Love one another as God has loved you and together we will get through this time of physical separation because we are joined together as the body of Christ and members of the same holy family. I hold you all in my prayers!

In Christ's service, Pastor Diane