



Living in God's  
Amazing Grace

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Dear Beloved Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

I wanted to provide a few updates following last night's council meeting. The church will continue to be closed through the end of April. The north doors from the parking lot will be open limited hours for Food Pantry drop-off, which are: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9 AM – Noon; Tuesday, Thursday, 1:00—4:00 PM; and Saturday 9—11:00 AM. Thank you for your continued generosity during this time.

We will continue to worship Sunday morning at 9:30 AM on Facebook Live. Thanks for worshipping with us live or watching later. I am in awe that, as of this morning, our Easter Sunday worship has 552 views. God is at work! Thanks to God and thanks to all of you for making this happen.

Also, in this time of closure there are a handful of needed spring cleanup projects around the exterior of the church property. If interested, please contact Curt Casper at 319-331-2811 and he will provide details and schedule a time in order to maintain social distancing recommendations.

On behalf of the council, I would also like to thank each of you for your faithful stewardship financially during this difficult time. We do realize the financial burdens this pandemic has placed on so many, which may hinder the ability of some to give a financial gift. We also realize some may be able to give more right now to continue the work of Christ's church. We are in this together and we will get through this together.

We will gather again soon face-to-face! The opening words of the three verses to the hymn *Light Dawns on a Weary World* (ELW 726) state respectively:

*Light dawns on a weary world  
Love grows in a weary world  
Hope blooms in a weary world*

As agents of the resurrection, let our songs, words, and actions continue to proclaim light, love, and hope to a weary world.

Blessings,